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**"AN ACT CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE  
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM AS AN INDEPENDENT  
AGENCY."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. Section 10-95 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

5 (a) The State Board of Education may establish and maintain a state-  
6 wide system of technical [high] education and career schools to be  
7 known as the [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
8 Career System. The [technical high school] system shall be [governed]  
9 advised by a board that shall consist of eleven members as follows: (1)  
10 Four executives of Connecticut-based employers who shall be  
11 nominated by the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission

12 established pursuant to section 31-3h, and appointed by the Governor,  
13 (2) five members appointed by the State Board of Education, (3) the  
14 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development, and (4) the  
15 Labor Commissioner. The Governor shall appoint the chairperson. The  
16 chairperson of the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
17 and Career System board shall serve as a nonvoting ex-officio member  
18 of the State Board of Education.

19 (b) The [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
20 Career System board shall offer full-time, and may offer part-time and  
21 evening, programs in vocational, technical, [and] technological and  
22 postsecondary education and training. The board may [make  
23 regulations controlling] recommend to the superintendent of the  
24 Technical Education and Career System policies governing the  
25 admission of students to any such school in compliance with state and  
26 federal law. The Commissioner of Education, in accordance with  
27 policies established by the board, may appoint and remove members  
28 of the staffs of such schools and make rules for the management of and  
29 expend the funds provided for the support of such schools. [The board  
30 may enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional  
31 boards of education, private occupational schools, institutions of  
32 higher education, job training agencies and employers in order to  
33 provide general education, vocational, technical or technological  
34 education or work experience.]

35 (c) The board and the Commissioner of Education shall jointly  
36 recommend a candidate for superintendent of the technical high school  
37 system who shall be appointed as superintendent by the State Board of  
38 Education. Such superintendent shall be responsible for the operation  
39 and administration of the technical high school system. The board may  
40 enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional boards of  
41 education, private occupational schools, institutions of higher  
42 education, job training agencies and employers in order to provide  
43 general education, vocational, technical, technological or  
44 postsecondary education or work experience. The superintendent, in  
45 conjunction with the commissioner, may arrange for training to be

46 provided to the board at such times, and on such matters, as are  
47 deemed appropriate to assist the board in the conduct of its business.

48 (d) If the New England Association of Schools and Colleges places a  
49 technical [high] education and career school on probation or otherwise  
50 notifies the superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
51 Technical Education and Career System that a technical [high]  
52 education and career school is at risk of losing its accreditation, the  
53 Commissioner of Education, on behalf of the [technical high school  
54 system] Technical Education and Career System board, shall notify the  
55 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance  
56 of matters relating to education of such placement or problems relating  
57 to accreditation.

58 (e) The [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
59 Career System board shall establish specific achievement goals for  
60 students at the technical [high] education and career schools at each  
61 grade level. The board shall measure the performance of each technical  
62 [high] education and career school and shall identify a set of  
63 quantifiable measures to be used. The measures shall include factors  
64 such as the performance of students in grade ten or eleven on the  
65 mastery examination, under section 10-14n, trade-related assessment  
66 tests, dropout rates and graduation rates.

67 (f) The Technical Education and Career System board may accept  
68 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
69 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
70 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education  
71 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
72 construction of facilities.

73 Sec. 2. Section 10-95 of the general statutes, as amended by section 1  
74 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
75 (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

76 [(a) The State Board of Education may establish and maintain] There  
77 is established a state-wide system of technical education and career

78 schools to be known as the Technical Education and Career System.  
79 [The system shall be advised by a board that shall consist of eleven  
80 members as follows: (1) Four executives of Connecticut-based  
81 employers who shall be nominated by the Connecticut Employment  
82 and Training Commission established pursuant to section 31-3h, and  
83 appointed by the Governor, (2) five members appointed by the State  
84 Board of Education, (3) the Commissioner of Economic and  
85 Community Development, and (4) the Labor Commissioner. The  
86 Governor shall appoint the chairperson. The chairperson of the  
87 Technical Education and Career System board shall serve as a  
88 nonvoting ex-officio member of the State Board of Education.]

89 [(b)] The Technical Education and Career System [board] shall offer  
90 full-time, and may offer part-time and evening, programs in  
91 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education and  
92 training. [The board may adopt policies controlling the admission of  
93 students to any such school. The Commissioner of Education, in  
94 accordance with policies established by the board, may appoint and  
95 remove members of the staffs of such schools and make rules for the  
96 management of and expend the funds provided for the support of such  
97 schools.

98 (c) The board and the Commissioner of Education shall jointly  
99 recommend a candidate for superintendent of the technical high school  
100 system who shall be appointed as superintendent by the State Board of  
101 Education. Such superintendent shall be responsible for the operation  
102 and administration of the technical high school system. The board may  
103 enter into cooperative arrangements with local and regional boards of  
104 education, private occupational schools, institutions of higher  
105 education, job training agencies and employers in order to provide  
106 general education, vocational, technical, technological or  
107 postsecondary education or work experience.

108 (d) The Technical Education and Career System board shall  
109 establish specific achievement goals for students at the technical  
110 education and career schools at each grade level. The board shall

111 measure the performance of each technical education and career school  
112 and shall identify a set of quantifiable measures to be used. The  
113 measures shall include factors such as the performance of students in  
114 grade ten or eleven on the mastery examination, under section 10-14n,  
115 trade-related assessment tests, dropout rates and graduation rates.

116 (e) The Technical Education and Career System board may accept  
117 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not  
118 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
119 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education  
120 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
121 construction of facilities.]

122 Sec. 3. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) (a) (1) On or after July 1, 2017,  
123 until June 30, 2020, the Technical Education and Career System board  
124 may recommend a candidate for superintendent of the Technical  
125 Education and Career System to the Commissioner of Education. The  
126 commissioner may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent  
127 recommended by the board. If the commissioner rejects a candidate for  
128 superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for  
129 superintendent to the commissioner. The term of office of the  
130 superintendent hired under this subdivision shall expire on June 30,  
131 2020.

132 (2) On and after July 1, 2020, the Technical Education and Career  
133 System board shall recommend a candidate for superintendent of the  
134 Technical Education and Career System to the Executive Director of  
135 the Technical Education and Career System. The executive director  
136 may hire or reject any candidate for superintendent recommended by  
137 the board. If the executive director rejects a candidate for  
138 superintendent, the board shall recommend another candidate for  
139 superintendent to the executive director. The term of office of the  
140 superintendent hired under this subdivision shall be three years and  
141 may be extended for no more than three years at any one time.

142 (b) The superintendent of the Technical Education and Career

143 System shall be responsible for the operation and administration of the  
144 technical education and career schools and all other matters relating to  
145 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education in the  
146 system.

147 Sec. 4. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Technical Education and  
148 Career System shall be under the direction of the Executive Director of  
149 the Technical Education and Career System, whose appointment shall  
150 be made by the Governor. Such appointment shall be in accordance  
151 with the provisions of sections 4-5 to 4-8, inclusive, of the general  
152 statutes. The Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career  
153 System shall be responsible for the operation and administration and  
154 the financial accountability and oversight of the Technical Education  
155 and Career System in matters relating to the central office, system-  
156 wide management and other noneducational matters. The executive  
157 director shall organize the Technical Education and Career System into  
158 such bureaus, divisions and other units as may be necessary for the  
159 efficient conduct of the business of the system, and may, from time to  
160 time, create, abolish, transfer or consolidate within the system any  
161 bureau, division or other unit as may be necessary for the efficient  
162 conduct of the business of the system. The executive director may  
163 appoint, and may prescribe the duties of any subordinates, agents and  
164 employees as he or she finds necessary in the conduct of the system.

165 (b) The executive director shall review and approve all contracts for  
166 the Technical Education and Career System.

167 (c) The executive director may enter into cooperative arrangements  
168 with local and regional boards of education, private occupational  
169 schools, institutions of higher education, job training agencies and  
170 employers in order to provide (1) general education, (2) vocational,  
171 technical, technological or postsecondary education, and (3) work  
172 experience.

173 (d) The executive director may, upon approval of the board, accept  
174 gifts, grants and donations on behalf of the system, including, but not

175 limited to, in-kind donations, designated for the purchase of  
176 equipment or materials, the hiring of teachers at a technical education  
177 and career school or the acquisition of real property and the  
178 construction of facilities.

179 (e) The executive director shall establish a master schedule for the  
180 Technical Education and Career System and may amend such master  
181 schedule from time to time.

182 (f) The executive director shall communicate directly with the  
183 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management when requesting the  
184 creation or filling of staff positions included in the operating budget  
185 for the Technical Education and Career System. When reviewing such  
186 requests, priority shall be given to any request for instructional staff, as  
187 identified in the statement of staffing needs submitted by the  
188 superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System  
189 pursuant to section 10-99g of the general statutes, as amended by this  
190 act, and every effort shall be made to avoid interruption to  
191 instructional time during such review.

192 (g) If the New England Association of Schools and Colleges places a  
193 technical education and career school on probation or otherwise  
194 notifies the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
195 System that a technical education and career school is at risk of losing  
196 its accreditation, the executive director shall notify the Commissioner  
197 of Education and the joint standing committee of the General  
198 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education of such  
199 placement or problems relating to accreditation.

200 Sec. 5. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) The Technical Education and  
201 Career System shall be advised by a Technical Education and Career  
202 System board. The board shall consist of eleven members and shall  
203 include at least the following, (1) two members with experience in  
204 manufacturing or a trade offered by the Technical Education and  
205 Career System, or who are alumni of the system, (2) two members who  
206 are executives of Connecticut-based employers and who shall be

207 nominated by the Connecticut Employment and Training Commission,  
208 established pursuant to section 31-3h of the general statutes. The  
209 Commissioners of Education and Economic and Community  
210 Development and the Labor Commissioner, or their respective  
211 designees, shall serve as ex-officio members of the board. Members of  
212 the board shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and  
213 consent of the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of  
214 section 4-7 of the general statutes. Any vacancy shall be filled in the  
215 manner provided in section 4-19 of the general statutes. The Governor  
216 shall appoint the chairperson.

217 (b) The board shall advise the superintendent of the Technical  
218 Education and Career System and the Executive Director of the  
219 Technical Education and Career System on matters relating to  
220 vocational, technical, technological and postsecondary education and  
221 training. The board may create any advisory boards or appoint any  
222 committees as it deems necessary for the efficient conduct of its  
223 business. The executive director, in conjunction with the  
224 superintendent, may arrange for training to be provided to the board  
225 at such times, and on such matters, as are deemed appropriate to assist  
226 the board in the conduct of its business.

227 (c) The board may recommend to the executive director and  
228 superintendent policies to attract and retain students who will pursue  
229 careers that meet workforce needs and govern the admission of  
230 students to any technical education and career school in compliance  
231 with state and federal law.

232 (d) The board shall establish specific achievement goals for students  
233 at the technical education and career schools at each grade level. The  
234 board shall measure the performance of each technical education and  
235 career school and shall identify a set of quantifiable measures to be  
236 used. The measures shall include factors such as the performance of  
237 students in grade ten or eleven on the mastery examination, under  
238 section 10-14n of the general statutes, trade-related assessment tests,  
239 dropout rates and graduation rates.

240 Sec. 6. Section 4-5 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
241 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

242 As used in sections 4-6, 4-7 and 4-8, the term "department head"  
243 means Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management,  
244 Commissioner of Administrative Services, Commissioner on Aging,  
245 Commissioner of Revenue Services, Banking Commissioner,  
246 Commissioner of Children and Families, Commissioner of Consumer  
247 Protection, Commissioner of Correction, Commissioner of Economic  
248 and Community Development, State Board of Education,  
249 Commissioner of Emergency Services and Public Protection,  
250 Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection,  
251 Commissioner of Agriculture, Commissioner of Public Health,  
252 Insurance Commissioner, Labor Commissioner, Commissioner of  
253 Mental Health and Addiction Services, Commissioner of Social  
254 Services, Commissioner of Developmental Services, Commissioner of  
255 Motor Vehicles, Commissioner of Transportation, Commissioner of  
256 Veterans Affairs, Commissioner of Housing, Commissioner of  
257 Rehabilitation Services, the Commissioner of Early Childhood, [and]  
258 the executive director of the Office of Military Affairs and the  
259 Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career System. As  
260 used in sections 4-6 and 4-7, "department head" also means the  
261 Commissioner of Education.

262 Sec. 7. Section 4-38c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
263 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

264 There shall be within the executive branch of state government the  
265 following departments: Office of Policy and Management, Department  
266 of Administrative Services, Department on Aging, Department of  
267 Revenue Services, Department of Banking, Department of Agriculture,  
268 Department of Children and Families, Department of Consumer  
269 Protection, Department of Correction, Department of Economic and  
270 Community Development, State Board of Education, Department of  
271 Emergency Services and Public Protection, Department of Energy and  
272 Environmental Protection, Department of Public Health, Board of

273 Regents for Higher Education, Insurance Department, Labor  
274 Department, Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services,  
275 Department of Developmental Services, Department of Social Services,  
276 Department of Transportation, Department of Motor Vehicles, [and]  
277 Department of Veterans Affairs and the Technical Education and  
278 Career System.

279 Sec. 8. Section 10-99f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
280 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

281 (a) For the fiscal [year] years ending June 30, 2011, [and each fiscal  
282 year thereafter] to June 30, 2019, inclusive, the budget for the [technical  
283 high school system] Technical Education and Career System shall (1)  
284 be a separate budgeted agency from the Department of Education, and  
285 (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and  
286 school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational  
287 account.

288 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the  
289 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
290 Governor, when considering reductions in allotment requisitions or  
291 allotments in force, shall give priority to the educational needs of the  
292 system and instructional staffing needs, as identified in the statement  
293 of staffing needs submitted by the superintendent of the Technical  
294 Education and Career System pursuant to section 10-99g, as amended  
295 by this act, and every effort shall be made to avoid impairment of the  
296 system's educational mission and interruption to instructional time  
297 during such consideration.

298 Sec. 9. Section 10-99f of the general statutes, as amended by section 8  
299 of this act, is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
300 (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

301 (a) For the fiscal [years ending June 30, 2011, to June 30, 2019,  
302 inclusive] year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
303 budget for the Technical Education and Career System shall (1) be a  
304 separate budgeted agency, [from the Department of Education,] and

305 (2) include a separate (A) educational account for educational and  
306 school-based accounts and expenditures, and (B) noneducational  
307 account.

308 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for the  
309 fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, and each fiscal year thereafter, the  
310 Governor, when considering reductions in allotment requisitions or  
311 allotments in force, shall give priority to the educational needs of the  
312 system and instructional staffing needs, as identified in the statement  
313 of staffing needs submitted by the superintendent of the Technical  
314 Education and Career System pursuant to section 10-99g, as amended  
315 by this act, and every effort shall be made to avoid impairment of the  
316 system's educational mission and interruption to instructional time  
317 during such consideration.

318 Sec. 10. Section 10-99g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
319 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):

320 (a) (1) [Each] For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal  
321 year thereafter, each technical [high] education and career school shall  
322 prepare a proposed [operating] school budget for the next succeeding  
323 school year beginning July first and submit such proposed [operating]  
324 school budget to the superintendent of the [technical high school  
325 system] Technical Education and Career System. Such proposed  
326 [operating] school budget shall include a statement of the staffing  
327 needs for such technical [high] education and career school. The  
328 superintendent shall collect, review and use the proposed [operating]  
329 school budget for each technical [high] education and career school to  
330 guide the preparation of a proposed [operating] school budget for the  
331 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System.

332 (2) [The superintendent of the technical high school system shall  
333 submit a proposed operating budget for the technical high school  
334 system to the technical high school system board. Such proposed  
335 operating budget shall include a statement of the staffing needs for the  
336 technical high school system. The board shall review, amend and

337 approve such proposed operating budget and submit the approved  
338 budget to the State Board of Education. The state board shall review,  
339 but shall not amend, and submit such approved operating budget,  
340 with any comments or recommendations for revisions, to the Secretary  
341 of the Office of Policy and Management in accordance with the  
342 provisions of section 4-77. The superintendent shall submit a copy of  
343 (A) the proposed operating budgets for each technical high school,  
344 including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical high  
345 school, (B) the proposed operating budget for the technical high school  
346 system, including the statement of the staffing needs for the technical  
347 high school system, and (C) the approved operating budget for the  
348 technical high school system to the Office of Policy and Management  
349 and the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
350 cognizance of matters relating to education and appropriations and the  
351 budgets of state agencies, in accordance with the provisions of section  
352 11-4a. The superintendent shall communicate directly with the  
353 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management regarding the  
354 creation or filling of staff positions included in the approved operating  
355 budget for the technical high school system.] The superintendent of the  
356 Technical Education and Career System shall prepare and submit the  
357 education budget for the Technical Education and Career System to  
358 the Executive Director of the Technical Education and Career System.  
359 The education budget shall include educational and school-based  
360 accounts and expenditures, the school budget for each technical  
361 education and career school, and a statement of the staffing needs for  
362 the technical education and career schools. The executive director shall  
363 review the education budget and include the education budget as part  
364 of the operating budget for the Technical Education and Career  
365 System. The executive director shall report any financial  
366 inconsistencies or irregularities discovered during the course of such  
367 review to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, the  
368 Commissioner of Administrative Services and the Auditors of Public  
369 Accounts. For purposes of this section and section 10-99f, as amended  
370 by this act, "educational and school-based accounts and expenditures"  
371 means funds used to (A) support instruction, programming and

372 curriculum within the Technical Education and Career System, and (B)  
373 purchase supplies and equipment for instruction at individual  
374 technical education and career schools.

375 (3) The executive director shall prepare the central office budget for  
376 the Technical Education and Career System. Such central office budget  
377 shall include noneducational and central office accounts and  
378 expenditures and a statement of the staffing needs for the central office  
379 of the system. The executive director shall include the central office  
380 budget as part of the operating budget for the Technical Education and  
381 Career System.

382 (4) The executive director shall prepare and submit the operating  
383 budget of the Technical Education and Career System to the Office of  
384 Policy and Management in accordance with the provisions of section 4-  
385 77.

386 (5) The executive director shall annually submit a copy of (A) an  
387 itemized school budget for each technical education and career school,  
388 including the statement of the staffing needs for each technical  
389 education and career school, (B) the education budget, (C) the central  
390 office budget, including the statement of the staffing needs for the  
391 system, and (D) the operating budget for the Technical Education and  
392 Career System to the joint standing committees of the General  
393 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
394 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, in accordance with  
395 the provisions of section 11-4a.

396 (b) The [superintendent of the technical high school system]  
397 executive director shall semiannually submit the operating budget and  
398 expenses for each individual technical [high] education and career  
399 school, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Secretary of the Office  
400 of Policy and Management, the director of the legislative Office of  
401 Fiscal Analysis and to the joint standing committee of the General  
402 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education.

403 (c) (1) The superintendent [of the technical high school system] shall

404 make available and update on the [technical high school system]  
405 Technical Education and Career System Internet web site and the  
406 Internet web site of each technical [high] education and career school  
407 the operating budget for the current school year of each individual  
408 technical [high] education and career school.

409 (2) The executive director shall make available and update on the  
410 Technical Education and Career System Internet web site the operating  
411 budget for the current school year of the central office of the Technical  
412 Education and Career System and the operating budget for the  
413 Technical Education and Career System.

414 Sec. 11. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 10-95h of the  
415 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
416 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

417 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
418 Technical Education and Career System shall submit the following to  
419 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
420 cognizance of matters relating to education, higher education and  
421 employment advancement and labor: (A) Information ensuring that  
422 the curriculum of the [technical high school system] Technical  
423 Education and Career System is incorporating those workforce skills  
424 that will be needed for the next thirty years, as identified by the Labor  
425 Commissioner in subdivision (1) of this subsection, into the technical  
426 [high] education and career schools; (B) information regarding the  
427 employment status of students who graduate from or complete an  
428 approved program of study at the [technical high school system]  
429 Technical Education and Career System, including, but not limited to:  
430 (i) Demographics such as age and gender, (ii) course and program  
431 enrollment and completion, (iii) employment status, and (iv) wages  
432 prior to enrolling and after graduating; (C) an assessment of the  
433 adequacy of the resources available to the [technical high school  
434 system] Technical Education and Career System as the system  
435 develops and refines programs to meet existing and emerging  
436 workforce needs; (D) recommendations to the technical high school

437 system board to carry out the provisions of subparagraphs (A) to (C),  
438 inclusive, of this subdivision; [and] (E) information regarding staffing  
439 at each technical [high] education and career school for the current  
440 academic year; and (F) information regarding the transition process of  
441 the Technical Education and Career System as an independent agency,  
442 including, but not limited to, the actions taken by the Technical  
443 Education and Career System board and the superintendent to create a  
444 budget process and maintain programmatic consistency for students  
445 enrolled in the technical education and career system. The  
446 superintendent [of the technical high school system] shall collaborate  
447 with the Labor Commissioner to obtain information as needed to carry  
448 out the provisions of this subsection.

449       Sec. 12. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall  
450 conduct a review of the admissions policy of the Technical Education  
451 and Career System as it relates to the enrollment of students with  
452 disabilities and students who are receiving or eligible to receive special  
453 education and related services. Such review shall include, but need not  
454 be limited to, consideration of (1) applicable principles of state and  
455 federal law, (2) the purposes and public character of the Technical  
456 Education and Career System, and (3) enrollment data of students  
457 receiving special education and related services in the Technical  
458 Education and Career System compared to state-wide and district  
459 averages. Not later than January 15, 2018, the department shall submit  
460 such review, including any recommendations regarding modifications  
461 to the admissions policy or to any applicable statute or regulation, to  
462 the superintendent of the Technical Education and Career System, the  
463 Technical Education and Career System board, and the joint standing  
464 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
465 relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-  
466 4a of the general statutes.

467       Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the school year  
468 commencing July 1, 2018, and each school year thereafter, the  
469 Department of Education shall develop, and update as necessary,  
470 uniform standards and curriculum for all career technical education

471 programs offered by local or regional boards of education. The  
472 department may adopt existing uniform standards and curriculum  
473 when developing such uniform standards and curriculum under this  
474 section. Such uniform standards and curriculum shall be aligned with  
475 professional certification requirements. The department shall make  
476 available, and provide technical assistance relating to the  
477 implementation of, such standards and curriculum to any local or  
478 regional board of education that offers a career technical education  
479 program.

480       Sec. 14. (*Effective from passage*) The Department of Education shall,  
481 within available appropriations, conduct an evaluation of any existing  
482 standards relating to career technical education used by the Technical  
483 Education and Career System. The evaluation shall examine whether  
484 such standards are (1) aligned with professional certification  
485 requirements, and (2) uniform across the Technical Education and  
486 Career System. Not later than October 1, 2018, the department shall  
487 submit a report on its findings and recommendations to the joint  
488 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
489 matters relating to education, in accordance with the provisions of  
490 section 11-4a of the general statutes.

491       Sec. 15. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The superintendent of the  
492 Technical Education and Career System shall consult with each (1)  
493 regional community-technical college, and (2) local or regional board  
494 of education (A) for a town in which a technical education and career  
495 school is located, and (B) that offers any career technical education  
496 programs, for the purpose of establishing partnerships, reducing  
497 redundancies and consolidating programmatic offerings.

498       Sec. 16. (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the fiscal year ending June 30,  
499 2018, the State Board of Education shall hire a consultant to (1) assist  
500 the Technical Education and Career System board with the  
501 development of a transition plan for the Technical Education and  
502 Career System, and (2) identify and provide recommendations  
503 concerning which services could be provided more efficiently through

504 or in conjunction with another local or regional board of education,  
505 municipality or state agency by means of a memorandum of  
506 understanding with the Technical Education and Career System. Not  
507 later than January 1, 2019, the state board shall submit a report on the  
508 transition plan and such identified services and any recommendations  
509 for legislation necessary to implement such transition plan and such  
510 identified services to the joint standing committee of the General  
511 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education, in  
512 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes.

513 Sec. 17. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) (a) For the fiscal years ending  
514 June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, the superintendent of the Technical  
515 Education and Career System shall create and maintain a list that  
516 includes an inventory of all technical and vocational equipment,  
517 supplies and materials purchased or obtained and used in the  
518 provision of career technical education in each technical education and  
519 career school and across the Technical Education and Career System.  
520 The board shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the  
521 budget for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to  
522 section 10-99g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, (2) prior  
523 to purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies or materials,  
524 and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials  
525 among technical education and career schools.

526 (b) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, and each fiscal year  
527 thereafter, the Executive Director of the Technical Education and  
528 Career System shall create and maintain a list that includes an  
529 inventory of all technical and vocational equipment, supplies and  
530 materials purchased or obtained and used in the provision of career  
531 technical education in each technical education and career school and  
532 across the Technical Education and Career System. The executive  
533 director shall consult such list (1) during the preparation of the budget  
534 for the Technical Education and Career System, pursuant to section 10-  
535 99g of the general statutes, as amended by this act, (2) prior to  
536 purchasing or obtaining any new equipment, supplies or materials,  
537 and (3) for the purpose of sharing equipment, supplies and materials

538 among technical education and career schools.

539 Sec. 18. (*Effective July 1, 2017*) For the fiscal years ending June 30,  
540 2018, and June 30, 2019, the Department of Education shall (1) provide  
541 training to those persons employed by the department within the  
542 Technical Education and Career System who will be responsible for  
543 performing central office and administrative functions for the system  
544 on and after July 1, 2019, and (2) identify those persons within the  
545 system who can be trained to perform multiple functions or  
546 responsibilities for the system.

547 Sec. 19. Subsection (a) of section 10-4 of the general statutes is  
548 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
549 *1, 2017*):

550 (a) Said board shall have general supervision and control of the  
551 educational interests of the state, which interests shall include  
552 preschool, elementary and secondary education, special education,  
553 vocational education and adult education; shall provide leadership  
554 and otherwise promote the improvement of education in the state,  
555 including research, planning and evaluation and services relating to  
556 the provision and use of educational technology, including  
557 telecommunications, by school districts; shall prepare such courses of  
558 study and publish such curriculum guides including recommendations  
559 for textbooks, materials, instructional technological resources and  
560 other teaching aids as it determines are necessary to assist school  
561 districts to carry out the duties prescribed by law; shall conduct  
562 workshops and related activities, including programs of intergroup  
563 relations training, to assist teachers in making effective use of such  
564 curriculum materials and in improving their proficiency in meeting the  
565 diverse needs and interests of pupils; shall keep informed as to the  
566 condition, progress and needs of the schools in the state; [and] shall  
567 develop or cause to be developed evaluation and assessment programs  
568 designed to measure objectively the adequacy and efficacy of the  
569 educational programs offered by public schools and shall selectively  
570 conduct such assessment programs annually and report, pursuant to

571 subsection (b) of this section, to the joint standing committee of the  
572 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,  
573 on an annual basis; and shall establish and keep an inventory account,  
574 in accordance with the provisions of section 4-36, secure such  
575 inventory to prevent theft or loss and establish controls over the  
576 disposal of such inventory.

577 Sec. 20. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) In accomplishment of their  
578 duties as set forth in section 2-90 of the general statutes, the Auditors  
579 of Public Accounts shall, as often as they deem necessary, examine the  
580 records and accounts of the Technical Education and Career System.  
581 Their findings shall be reported as required in section 2-90 of the  
582 general statutes.

583 Sec. 21. Subdivision (20) of section 1-79 of the general statutes is  
584 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
585 *1, 2017*):

586 (20) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,  
587 commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher  
588 education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency  
589 in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

590 Sec. 22. Subsection (i) of section 1-84 of the general statutes is  
591 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
592 *1, 2017*):

593 (i) (1) No public official or state employee or member of the official  
594 or employee's immediate family or a business with which he is  
595 associated shall enter into any contract with the state, valued at one  
596 hundred dollars or more, other than a contract (A) of employment as a  
597 state employee, (B) with the [technical high school system] Technical  
598 Education and Career System for students enrolled in a school in the  
599 system to perform services in conjunction with vocational, technical,  
600 [or] technological or postsecondary education and training any such  
601 student is receiving at a school in the system, subject to the review  
602 process under subdivision (2) of this subsection, (C) with a public

603 institution of higher education to support a collaboration with such  
604 institution to develop and commercialize any invention or discovery,  
605 or (D) pursuant to a court appointment, unless the contract has been  
606 awarded through an open and public process, including prior public  
607 offer and subsequent public disclosure of all proposals considered and  
608 the contract awarded. In no event shall an executive head of an agency,  
609 as defined in section 4-166, including a commissioner of a department,  
610 or an executive head of a quasi-public agency, as defined in section 1-  
611 79, as amended by this act, or the executive head's immediate family or  
612 a business with which he is associated enter into any contract with that  
613 agency or quasi-public agency. Nothing in this subsection shall be  
614 construed as applying to any public official who is appointed as a  
615 member of the executive branch or as a member or director of a quasi-  
616 public agency and who receives no compensation other than per diem  
617 payments or reimbursement for actual or necessary expenses, or both,  
618 incurred in the performance of the public official's duties unless such  
619 public official has authority or control over the subject matter of the  
620 contract. Any contract made in violation of this subsection shall be  
621 voidable by a court of competent jurisdiction if the suit is commenced  
622 not later than one hundred eighty days after the making of the  
623 contract.

624 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
625 Technical Education and Career System shall establish an open and  
626 transparent process to review any contract entered into under  
627 subparagraph (B) of subdivision (1) of this subsection.

628 Sec. 23. Section 1-84d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
629 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

630 Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, for purposes  
631 of this chapter, no foundation or alumni association established for the  
632 benefit of a constituent unit of public higher education or technical  
633 [high] education and career school shall be deemed to be doing  
634 business with or seeking to do business with such constituent unit of  
635 public higher education or technical [high] education and career

636 school.

637 Sec. 24. Subdivision (23) of section 1-91 of the general statutes is  
638 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
639 *1, 2017*):

640 (23) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,  
641 commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher  
642 education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency  
643 in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

644 Sec. 25. Subsection (b) of section 3-20f of the general statutes is  
645 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
646 *1, 2017*):

647 (b) Notwithstanding section 3-20, to the extent there is a sufficient  
648 balance of bonds approved by the General Assembly pursuant to any  
649 bond act for the purposes of general maintenance and trade and  
650 capital equipment for any school in the [technical high school system]  
651 Technical Education and Career System, but not allocated by the State  
652 Bond Commission, said commission shall vote on whether to authorize  
653 the issuance of at least two million dollars of such bonds for such  
654 maintenance and equipment at each of said commission's regularly  
655 scheduled meetings occurring in August and February of each year. If  
656 no meeting is held in said months, said commission shall vote on  
657 whether to authorize the issuance of such bonds at its next regularly  
658 scheduled meeting. To the extent there is a sufficient balance of bonds  
659 so approved by the General Assembly and there are pending general  
660 maintenance and trade and capital equipment transactions in excess of  
661 two million dollars, the [chairperson of the technical high school  
662 system board] superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
663 System may request, and the State Bond Commission shall vote on  
664 whether to authorize the issuance of, bonds in excess of two million  
665 dollars. To the extent the balance of bonds so approved by the General  
666 Assembly is below two million dollars at the time of said commission's  
667 August or February meeting, said commission shall vote on whether to

668 authorize the issuance of the remaining balance of such bonds.

669 Sec. 26. Section 4-29 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
670 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

671 Any state appropriation or the proceeds of any bond issue  
672 authorized by the General Assembly for the purpose of erecting a  
673 building or buildings for the use of any state institution, any institution  
674 under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State  
675 University System enumerated in section 10a-87, any [state technical  
676 high school] technical education and career school or The University of  
677 Connecticut, for the development of aviation and for other purposes,  
678 may be used in whole or in part as the state's share of the cost of the  
679 work involved in conjunction with any funds made available by any  
680 branch of the federal government if the Governor so determines and  
681 directs.

682 Sec. 27. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 4-67g of the general  
683 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
684 (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

685 (f) Each state agency shall request and obtain the written approval  
686 of the secretary or his or her designee prior to any (1) change in  
687 ownership of state real property, (2) change in use of state real  
688 property, (3) use of state real property by an entity other than a state  
689 agency, or (4) use of state real property by a state agency other than the  
690 state agency with custody and control over such state real property.  
691 For purposes of this subsection, "state agency" does not include a  
692 constituent unit of the state system of higher education, a technical  
693 [high] education and career school or an agency in the legislative or  
694 judicial branch of state government.

695 (g) Except as otherwise provided, for the purposes of this section,  
696 "state real property" means any improved or unimproved real  
697 property owned by a state agency, and "state agency" means any  
698 office, department, board, council, commission, institution, constituent  
699 unit of the state system of higher education, technical [high] education

700 and career school or other agency in the executive, legislative or  
701 judicial branch of state government.

702 Sec. 28. Subdivision (3) of subsection (a) of section 4-67n of the  
703 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
704 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

705 (3) "State agency" means any office, department, board, council,  
706 commission, institution, constituent unit of the state system of higher  
707 education, technical [high] education and career school or other agency  
708 in the executive, legislative or judicial branch of state government.

709 Sec. 29. Section 4-124z of the general statutes is repealed and the  
710 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

711 (a) The Labor Commissioner, the Commissioner of Economic and  
712 Community Development, working with the Office of Workforce  
713 Competitiveness, the Commissioners of Education and Social Services,  
714 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the  
715 president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, in  
716 consultation with the superintendent of the [technical high school  
717 system] Technical Education and Career System and one member of  
718 industry representing each of the economic clusters identified by the  
719 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development pursuant to  
720 section 32-1m shall (1) review, evaluate and, as necessary, recommend  
721 improvements for certification and degree programs offered by the  
722 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
723 and the community-technical college system to ensure that such  
724 programs meet the employment needs of business and industry, and  
725 (2) develop strategies to strengthen the linkage between skill standards  
726 for education and training and the employment needs of business and  
727 industry.

728 (b) Not later than January 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, the  
729 Commissioner of Education shall report, in accordance with section 11-  
730 4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
731 cognizance of matters relating to education, commerce, labor and

732 higher education and employment advancement on (1) the  
733 implementation of any recommended programs or strategies within  
734 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
735 System or the community-technical college system to strengthen the  
736 linkage between technical [high] education and career school and  
737 community-technical college certification and degree programs and  
738 the employment needs of business and industry, and (2) any  
739 certification or degree programs offered by technical [high] education  
740 and career schools or community-technical colleges that do not meet  
741 current industry standards.

742 Sec. 30. Subsection (a) of section 4-124ff of the general statutes is  
743 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
744 *1, 2017*):

745 (a) There is established, within available appropriations and in  
746 consultation with the council established under subsection (b) of this  
747 section, a competitive Innovation Challenge Grant program to promote  
748 and encourage partnerships and collaborations involving technology-  
749 based business and industry with institutions of higher education and  
750 technical [high] education and career schools for the development of  
751 educational programs in emerging and interdisciplinary technology  
752 fields and to address related issues.

753 Sec. 31. Section 4-124gg of the general statutes is repealed and the  
754 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

755 Not later than October 1, 2012, the Labor Commissioner, with the  
756 assistance of the Office of Workforce Competitiveness and in  
757 consultation with [the chairperson of the technical high school system  
758 board and] the superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
759 Technical Education and Career System, shall create an integrated  
760 system of state-wide industry advisory committees for each career  
761 cluster offered as part of the [technical high school] Technical  
762 Education and Career System and regional community-technical  
763 college [systems] system. Said committees shall include industry

764 representatives of the specific career cluster. Each committee for a  
765 career cluster shall, with support from the Labor Department,  
766 [technical high school and] Technical Education and Career System,  
767 regional community-technical college [systems] system and the  
768 Department of Education, establish specific skills standards,  
769 corresponding curriculum and a career ladder for the cluster which  
770 shall be implemented as part of the schools' core curriculum.

771 Sec. 32. Subsection (a) of section 4-124hh of the general statutes is  
772 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
773 *1, 2017*):

774 (a) The Department of Economic and Community Development  
775 shall, within available appropriations, establish a grant program to  
776 provide a flexible source of funding for the creation and generation of  
777 talent in institutions of higher education and, with appropriate  
778 connections to technical [high] education and career schools and other  
779 secondary schools, for student outreach and development. Grants  
780 pursuant to this subsection shall be awarded to institutions of higher  
781 education and may be used to:

782 (1) Upgrade instructional laboratories to meet specific industry-  
783 standard laboratory and instrumentation skill requirements;

784 (2) Develop new curriculum and certificate and degree programs at  
785 the associate, bachelor's, master's and doctorate levels, tied to industry  
786 identified needs;

787 (3) Develop seamlessly articulated career development programs in  
788 workforce shortage areas forecasted pursuant to subdivision (10) of  
789 subsection (b) of section 4-124w in collaboration with technical [high]  
790 education and career schools and other secondary schools and  
791 institutions of higher education;

792 (4) Support undergraduate and graduate student research projects  
793 and experimental learning activities; and

794 (5) Establish a nanotechnology [post-secondary] postsecondary  
795 education program and clearinghouse for curriculum development,  
796 scholarships and student outreach.

797 Sec. 33. Subsection (b) of section 4a-11a of the general statutes is  
798 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
799 *1, 2017*):

800 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent of the  
801 amount stated in subsection (a) of this section, shall be deposited in the  
802 Capital Equipment Purchase Fund created by section 4a-9. Any such  
803 proceeds shall be allocated to the Department of Education for [state  
804 technical high schools] technical education and career schools and  
805 satellites of such schools.

806 Sec. 34. Section 4d-83 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
807 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

808 The Department of Administrative Services, in consultation with the  
809 Department of Education, shall provide (1) technical assistance to local  
810 and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and  
811 career schools to expand their educational technology capabilities,  
812 including, but not limited to, wiring, Internet connectivity and  
813 technical support, and (2) opportunities for such boards of education  
814 and schools to purchase under state-wide contracts.

815 Sec. 35. Subsection (b) of section 5-275 of the general statutes is  
816 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
817 *1, 2017*):

818 (b) The board shall determine the appropriateness of a unit which  
819 shall be the public employer unit or a subdivision thereof. In  
820 determining the appropriateness of the unit, the board shall: (1) Take  
821 into consideration, but shall not limit consideration to, the following:  
822 (A) Public employees must have an identifiable community of interest,  
823 and (B) the effects of overfragmentation; (2) not decide that any unit is  
824 appropriate if (A) such unit includes both professional and

825 nonprofessional employees, unless a majority of such professional  
826 employees vote for inclusion in such unit, or (B) such unit includes  
827 both Department of Correction employees at or above the level of  
828 lieutenant and Department of Correction employees below the level of  
829 lieutenant; (3) take into consideration that when the state is the  
830 employer, it will be bargaining on a state-wide basis unless issues  
831 involve working conditions peculiar to a given governmental  
832 employment locale; (4) permit the faculties of (A) The University of  
833 Connecticut, (B) the Connecticut State University System, and (C) the  
834 [state technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System  
835 to each comprise a separate unit, which in each case shall have the  
836 right to bargain collectively with their respective boards of trustees or  
837 their designated representatives; and (5) permit the community college  
838 faculty and the technical college faculty as they existed prior to July 1,  
839 1992, to continue to comprise separate units, which in each case shall  
840 have the right to bargain collectively with its board of trustees or its  
841 designated representative. Nonfaculty professional staff of the above  
842 institutions may by mutual agreement be included in such bargaining  
843 units, or they may form a separate bargaining unit of their own. This  
844 section shall not be deemed to prohibit multiunit bargaining.

845 Sec. 36. Section 8-265pp of the general statutes is repealed and the  
846 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

847 The Connecticut Housing Finance Authority shall develop and  
848 administer a program of mortgage assistance to certified teachers (1)  
849 employed by priority school districts pursuant to section 10-266p, (2)  
850 employed by transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c,  
851 (3) employed by [technical high schools] the Technical Education and  
852 Career System at a technical education and career school located in  
853 such priority or transitional school districts, or (4) who teach in a  
854 subject matter shortage area pursuant to section 10-8b. Such assistance  
855 shall be available to eligible teachers for the purchase of a house as  
856 their principal residence, provided, in the case of a teacher employed  
857 by a priority or a transitional school district, or by [a technical high  
858 school] the Technical Education and Career System at a technical

859 education and career school located in a priority or transitional school  
860 district, the house is located in such district. In making mortgage  
861 assistance available under the program, the authority shall utilize  
862 down payment assistance or any other appropriate housing subsidies.  
863 The terms of any mortgage assistance shall allow the mortgagee to  
864 realize a reasonable portion of the equity gain upon sale of the  
865 mortgaged property.

866 Sec. 37. Section 10-1 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
867 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

868 (a) (1) Prior to July 1, 1998, the State Board of Education shall consist  
869 of nine members. On and after July 1, 1998, but prior to July 1, 2010,  
870 the State Board of Education shall consist of eleven members, two of  
871 whom shall be nonvoting student members.

872 (2) On and after July 1, 2010, but prior to April 1, 2011, the State  
873 Board of Education shall consist of thirteen members, at least two of  
874 whom shall have experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the  
875 regional vocational-technical schools or be alumni of or have served as  
876 educators at a regional vocational-technical school and two of whom  
877 shall be nonvoting student members. Only those members with  
878 experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the regional  
879 vocational-technical schools or are alumni of or have served as  
880 educators at a regional vocational-technical school shall be eligible to  
881 serve as the chairperson for the regional vocational-technical school  
882 subcommittee of the board.

883 (3) On and after April 1, 2011, but prior to July 1, 2012, the State  
884 Board of Education shall consist of thirteen members, (A) at least two  
885 of whom shall have experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at  
886 the regional vocational-technical schools or be alumni of or have  
887 served as educators at a regional vocational-technical school, (B) at  
888 least one of whom shall have experience in agriculture or be an alumni  
889 of or have served as an educator at a regional agricultural science and  
890 technology education center, and (C) two of whom shall be nonvoting

891 student members. Only those members described in subparagraph (A)  
892 of this subdivision shall be eligible to serve as the chairperson for the  
893 regional vocational-technical school subcommittee of the board.

894 (4) On and after July 1, 2012, the State Board of Education shall  
895 consist of fourteen members, (A) at least two of whom shall have  
896 experience in manufacturing or a trade offered at the technical [high]  
897 education and career schools or be alumni of or have served as  
898 educators at a technical [high] education and career school, (B) at least  
899 one of whom shall have experience in agriculture or be an alumni of or  
900 have served as an educator at a regional agricultural science and  
901 technology education center, and (C) two of whom shall be nonvoting  
902 student members.

903 (b) The Governor shall appoint, with the advice and consent of the  
904 General Assembly, the members of said board, provided each student  
905 member (1) is on the list submitted to the Governor pursuant to section  
906 10-2a, (2) is enrolled in a public high school in the state, (3) has  
907 completed eleventh grade prior to the commencement of his term, (4)  
908 has at least a B plus average, and (5) provides at least three references  
909 from teachers in the school the student member is attending. The  
910 nonstudent members shall serve for terms of four years commencing  
911 on March first in the year of their appointment. The student members  
912 shall serve for terms of one year commencing on July first in the year  
913 of their appointment. The president of the Connecticut State Colleges  
914 and Universities and the [chairperson of the technical high school  
915 system board] superintendent of the Technical Education and Career  
916 System shall serve as ex-officio members without a vote. Any vacancy  
917 in said State Board of Education shall be filled in the manner provided  
918 in section 4-19.

919 Sec. 38. Subsection (a) of section 10-4h of the general statutes is  
920 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
921 *1, 2017*):

922 (a) The Department of Education, in consultation with the

923 Commission for Educational Technology, shall establish a competitive  
924 grant program, within the limit of the bond authorization for purposes  
925 of this section, to assist (1) local and regional school districts, (2)  
926 regional educational service centers, (3) cooperative arrangements  
927 among one or more boards of education, and (4) endowed academies  
928 approved pursuant to section 10-34 that are eligible for school building  
929 project grants pursuant to chapter 173, to upgrade or install wiring,  
930 including electrical wiring, cable or other distribution systems and  
931 infrastructure improvements to support telecommunications and other  
932 information transmission equipment to be used for educational  
933 purposes, provided the department may expend up to two per cent of  
934 such bond authorization for such purposes for the [technical high  
935 school system] Technical Education and Career System.

936 Sec. 39. Section 10-4r of the general statutes is repealed and the  
937 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

938 On or before July 1, 2011, the State Board of Education shall develop  
939 recommendations regarding the definition of region for purposes of  
940 attendance in the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
941 and Career System. The board shall submit such recommendations, in  
942 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing  
943 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
944 relating to education.

945 Sec. 40. Subsection (b) of section 10-9 of the general statutes is  
946 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
947 *1, 2017*):

948 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
949 the State Board of Education may receive in the name of the state any  
950 money or property given or bequeathed to the State Board of  
951 Education or to any of the technical [high] education and career  
952 schools. Said board shall transfer any such money to the State  
953 Treasurer who shall invest the money in accordance with the  
954 provisions of section 3-31a. Said board may use any such property for

955 educational purposes.

956 Sec. 41. Section 10-13 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
957 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

958 The State Board of Education may appoint one or more school  
959 physicians for the [state technical high schools] Technical Education  
960 and Career System and shall provide such physicians with suitable  
961 facilities for the performance of such duties as it prescribes.

962 Sec. 42. Section 10-15d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
963 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

964 For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, and annually thereafter,  
965 all provisions of the general statutes concerning education, except  
966 those provisions relating to the eligibility for noncompetitive state aid  
967 unless otherwise provided, shall apply to the operation of the State of  
968 Connecticut-Unified School District #2 established pursuant to section  
969 17a-37 within the Department of Children and Families and State of  
970 Connecticut-Unified School District #1 established pursuant to section  
971 18-99a within the Department of Correction. All provisions of the  
972 general statutes concerning education, except those provisions relating  
973 to the eligibility for state aid unless otherwise provided, shall apply to  
974 the operation of the [technical high schools] Technical Education and  
975 Career System, established pursuant to the provisions of section 10-95,  
976 as amended by this act. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section,  
977 where such a school or school district shows that a particular statutory  
978 provision should not apply, the commissioner may grant an exception.

979 Sec. 43. Section 10-19d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
980 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

981 The Department of Education shall establish, within available  
982 appropriations, a high school mathematics and science challenge pilot  
983 program, which uses performance results on the mathematics and  
984 science components of the mastery examination, given in accordance  
985 with the provisions of section 10-14n, for students in grade ten or

eleven to design and implement mathematics and science curricula for students in the eleventh grade in the public high schools, including technical [high] education and career schools. For purposes of the program, the Commissioner of Education may award grants to local and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools for demonstration projects. Local and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools seeking to participate in the pilot program shall apply to the department at such time and in such manner as the commissioner prescribes. The commissioner shall select a diverse group of participants based on the population, geographic location and economic characteristics of the school district or technical [high] education and career school. Local and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools awarded grants under the program shall use grant funds for expenses for developing and implementing an instructional program in the mathematics and science subject areas targeting students who did not meet or exceed the level of proficiency in mathematics or science on such mastery examination, and conduct an evaluation of the program, including an analysis of student testing performance before and after participation in the program.

Sec. 44. Section 10-19e of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

The Department of Education shall establish, within available appropriations, a "Future Scholars" pilot matching grant program for public schools participating in externally funded programs that provide supplemental mathematics and science programming and instruction to students in grades eight to ten, inclusive, who scored above the level of basic and below the level of proficiency on the mastery examinations given during the previous year in accordance with the provisions of section 10-14n. The Commissioner of Education, for purposes of the program, may award grants to local and regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools for demonstration projects. Boards of education and technical [high] education and career schools seeking to participate in the pilot

1020 program shall apply to the department at such time and in such form  
1021 as the commissioner prescribes. The commissioner shall select  
1022 participants based on the quality of proposed programs and evidence  
1023 of commitment by businesses supporting the project. Local and  
1024 regional boards of education and technical [high] education and career  
1025 schools awarded grants under the program shall use grant funds for  
1026 development and implementation of an interdisciplinary mathematics,  
1027 science and technology curriculum, including the establishment and  
1028 staffing of mathematics and science laboratories, in middle and high  
1029 schools that have demonstrated support and involvement by local or  
1030 state-wide mathematics, science or technology intensive businesses in  
1031 the state.

1032 Sec. 45. Subsection (a) of section 10-20a of the general statutes is  
1033 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1034 *1, 2017*):

1035 (a) Local and regional boards of education, the [technical high  
1036 school system] Technical Education and Career System, postsecondary  
1037 institutions and regional educational service centers, may (1) in  
1038 consultation with regional workforce development boards established  
1039 pursuant to section 31-3k, as amended by this act, local employers,  
1040 labor organizations and community-based organizations establish  
1041 career pathway programs leading to a Connecticut career certificate in  
1042 accordance with this section, and (2) enroll students in such programs  
1043 based on entry criteria determined by the establishing agency. Such  
1044 programs shall be approved by the Commissioner of Education and  
1045 the Labor Commissioner. Applications for program approval shall be  
1046 submitted to the Commissioner of Education in such form and at such  
1047 time as the commissioner prescribes. All programs leading to a  
1048 Connecticut career certificate shall provide equal access for all students  
1049 and necessary accommodations and support for students with  
1050 disabilities.

1051 Sec. 46. Section 10-21g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1052 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1053 The Department of Education shall establish, within available  
1054 appropriations, a "Generation Next" pilot program to provide  
1055 industry-based job shadowing and internship experiences to high  
1056 school students and externship experiences to teachers in the public  
1057 schools, including the technical [high] education and career schools.  
1058 The Commissioner of Education, for purposes of the program, may  
1059 award grants to local and regional boards of education, technical  
1060 [high] education and career schools or state-wide or local business  
1061 associations, in partnership with such boards of education or schools,  
1062 for demonstration projects. Boards of education, technical [high]  
1063 education and career schools or business associations seeking to  
1064 participate in the pilot program shall apply to the department at such  
1065 time and in such form as the commissioner prescribes. The  
1066 commissioner shall select a diverse group of participants based on the  
1067 population, geographic location and economic characteristics of the  
1068 school district or school. Local and regional boards of education,  
1069 technical [high] education and career schools or business associations  
1070 awarded grants under the program shall use grant funds for  
1071 developing and implementing a coordinated high school level teacher  
1072 externship and student job shadowing and internship program with  
1073 science or mathematics or with technology intensive businesses in the  
1074 state.

1075 Sec. 47. Subsection (a) of section 10-21j of the general statutes is  
1076 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1077 *1, 2017*):

1078 (a) The Commissioner of Education, in collaboration with the Board  
1079 of Regents for Higher Education, shall establish a committee to  
1080 coordinate the education of middle school and high school students  
1081 about careers in manufacturing. Such committee shall include, but not  
1082 be limited to, (1) representatives from the Department of Economic  
1083 and Community Development, the Labor Department, the Connecticut  
1084 Center for Advanced Technology, the [technical high school system]  
1085 Technical Education and Career System, the advanced manufacturing  
1086 centers at the regional community-technical colleges, independent

1087 institutions of higher education in the state that offer training in the  
1088 field of manufacturing, the Connecticut Employment and Training  
1089 Commission, manufacturing companies and employee organizations  
1090 that represent manufacturing workers, and (2) middle and high school  
1091 teachers and guidance counselors.

1092 Sec. 48. Section 10-55 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1093 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1094 No pupil from any town belonging to a regional school district  
1095 shall, at the expense of such town, attend any other school in lieu of  
1096 that provided by said district except a technical [high] education and  
1097 career school approved by the State Board of Education, unless his  
1098 attendance at such other school is approved by the regional board of  
1099 education.

1100 Sec. 49. Subsection (d) of section 10-64 of the general statutes is  
1101 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1102 *1, 2017*):

1103 (d) Any local or regional board of education which does not furnish  
1104 agricultural science and technology education approved by the State  
1105 Board of Education shall designate a school or schools having such a  
1106 course approved by the State Board of Education as the school which  
1107 any person may attend who has completed an elementary school  
1108 course through the eighth grade. The board of education shall pay the  
1109 tuition and reasonable and necessary cost of transportation of any  
1110 person under twenty-one years of age who is not a graduate of a high  
1111 school or technical [high] education and career school or an  
1112 agricultural science and technology education center and who attends  
1113 the designated school, provided transportation services may be  
1114 suspended in accordance with the provisions of section 10-233c. Each  
1115 such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant to section 10-266m,  
1116 as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess of eight hundred  
1117 dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, and  
1118 in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an additional

1119 twenty percentage points.

1120 Sec. 50. Section 10-66p of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1121 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1122 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 4-98, 4-212 to 4-219,  
1123 inclusive, 4a-51 and 4a-57, the Commissioner of Education may  
1124 allocate funds to allow regional educational service centers and state  
1125 education organizations to provide professional development services,  
1126 technical assistance and evaluation activities to local and regional  
1127 boards of education, state charter schools, technical [high] education  
1128 and career schools, school readiness providers and other educational  
1129 entities, as determined by the commissioner. Regional educational  
1130 service centers and state education organizations shall expend such  
1131 funds in accordance with procedures and conditions prescribed by the  
1132 commissioner. For purposes of this section, state education  
1133 organizations may include, but not be limited to, organizations or  
1134 associations representing superintendents, boards of education and  
1135 elementary and secondary schools.

1136 Sec. 51. Subdivision (4) of section 10-67 of the general statutes is  
1137 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1138 *1, 2017*):

1139 (4) "Cooperating eligible entity" means any corporation or other  
1140 business entity, nonprofit organization, private occupational school  
1141 authorized pursuant to sections 10a-22a to 10a-22o, inclusive,  
1142 institution of higher education licensed or accredited pursuant to the  
1143 provisions of section 10a-34, technical [high] education and career  
1144 school or library which provides classes or services specified under  
1145 subparagraph (A) of subsection (a) of section 10-69, in conformance  
1146 with the program standards applicable to boards of education, through  
1147 a written cooperative arrangement with a local or regional board of  
1148 education or regional educational service center;

1149 Sec. 52. Subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of section 10-69 of the  
1150 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu

1151 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1152 (2) Credit for successful completion of courses taken for credit at  
1153 state-accredited institutions, including public and private community  
1154 colleges, technical colleges, community-technical colleges, four-year  
1155 colleges and universities and approved public and private high schools  
1156 and technical [high] education and career schools;

1157 Sec. 53. Subsection (c) of section 10-74d of the general statutes is  
1158 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1159 *1, 2017*):

1160 (c) The Department of Education may retain (1) up to one per cent  
1161 of the amount appropriated for interdistrict cooperative grants  
1162 pursuant to this section for state-wide technical assistance, program  
1163 monitoring and evaluation, and administration, and (2) up to one per  
1164 cent of such amount for use by the [technical high schools] Technical  
1165 High School System for interdistrict summer school, weekend and  
1166 after-school programs.

1167 Sec. 54. Section 10-76q of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1168 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1169 (a) The State Board of Education, in accordance with regulations  
1170 adopted by said board, shall: (1) Provide the professional services  
1171 necessary to identify, in accordance with section 10-76a, children  
1172 requiring special education who are enrolled at [state technical high  
1173 schools, in accordance with section 10-95] a technical education and  
1174 career school; (2) identify each such child; (3) determine the  
1175 appropriateness of the [state technical high school] technical education  
1176 and career school for the educational needs of each such child; (4)  
1177 provide an appropriate educational program for each such child; (5)  
1178 maintain a record thereof; and (6) annually evaluate the progress and  
1179 accomplishments of special education programs [at the state technical  
1180 high schools] provided by the Technical Education and Career System.

1181 (b) Where it is deemed appropriate that a child enrolled in a [state

1182 technical high school] technical education and career school receive  
1183 special education, the parents or guardian of such child shall have a  
1184 right to the hearing and appeal process as provided for in section 10-  
1185 76h.

1186 (c) If a planning and placement team determines that a student  
1187 requires special education services which preclude such student's  
1188 participation in the vocational education program offered by a  
1189 technical [high] education and career school, the student shall be  
1190 referred to the board of education in the town in which the student  
1191 resides for the development of an individualized educational program  
1192 and such board of education shall be responsible for the  
1193 implementation and financing of such program.

1194 Sec. 55. Subsections (a) to (d), inclusive, of section 10-7600 of the  
1195 general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
1196 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1197 (a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (e) of this section, the  
1198 Department of Education shall (1) purchase, in accordance with the  
1199 provisions of section 4a-57, a digital individualized education program  
1200 form software for purposes of creating, submitting and sharing digital  
1201 copies of a student's individualized education program and related  
1202 documents among authorized users, and (2) provide such digital  
1203 individualized education program form software at no cost to local  
1204 and regional boards of education and the [technical high school  
1205 system] Technical Education and Career System.

1206 (b) On or before October 1, 2015, the department shall issue a  
1207 request for proposals to eligible software companies for the purchase  
1208 of the digital individualized education program form software. Such  
1209 request for proposals shall require that the digital individualized  
1210 education program form software: (1) Allow authorized users to create  
1211 and submit a complete digital copy of a student's individualized  
1212 education program and related documents to the portal and share such  
1213 digital copy with (A) the department for purposes of conducting a

1214 remote audit; and (B) a local or regional board of education or the  
1215 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1216 in a case where the student may transfer, (2) provide twenty-four-hour  
1217 access for an unlimited number of authorized users to use the digital  
1218 individualized education program form software, (3) provide an  
1219 electronic catalog of goals and objectives aligned with the curriculum  
1220 standards adopted by the State Board of Education, (4) allow local and  
1221 regional boards of education and the [technical high school system]  
1222 Technical Education and Career System to purchase additional  
1223 programs to supplement the digital individualized education program  
1224 form software, and (5) protect a student's individual education  
1225 program and related documents that are created, submitted and  
1226 shared using the digital individualized education program form  
1227 software from unauthorized access, destruction, use, modification or  
1228 disclosure in accordance with current industry standards.

1229 (c) When evaluating the responses to the request for proposals and  
1230 selecting a digital individualized education program form software,  
1231 the department shall consider the types of digital individualized  
1232 education program form software currently used and successfully  
1233 implemented by local and regional boards of education and the  
1234 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System.

1235 (d) For the school year commencing July 1, 2016, and each school  
1236 year thereafter, if the department purchases a digital individualized  
1237 education program under this section, the department shall provide  
1238 such digital individualized education program form software to fifty  
1239 per cent of the local and regional boards of education and to fifty per  
1240 cent of the technical [high] education and career schools under the  
1241 jurisdiction of the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
1242 and Career System. For the school year commencing July 1, 2017, and  
1243 each school year thereafter, the department shall provide the digital  
1244 individualized education program form software to the remaining fifty  
1245 per cent of the local and regional boards of education and to the  
1246 remaining fifty per cent of the technical [high] education and career  
1247 schools under the jurisdiction of the [technical high school system]

1248 Technical Education and Career System.

1249 Sec. 56. Section 10-76pp of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1250 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1251 (a) The Department of Education shall provide a digital  
1252 individualized education program form software at no cost to local  
1253 and regional boards of education and the [technical high school  
1254 system] Technical Education and Career System in accordance with  
1255 section 10-76oo, as amended by this act. Such digital individualized  
1256 education program form software shall permit local and regional  
1257 boards of education and the [technical high school system] Technical  
1258 Education and Career System to create and submit a complete digital  
1259 copy of a student's individualized education program and related  
1260 documents to (1) the department for purposes of conducting a remote  
1261 audit, and (2) a local or regional board of education or the [technical  
1262 high school system] Technical Education and Career System in which  
1263 such student has transferred to.

1264 (b) A local and regional board of education and the [technical high  
1265 school system] Technical Education and Career System shall use the  
1266 digital individualized education program form software when such  
1267 software is provided by the department, except as otherwise provided  
1268 in subsection (c) of this section.

1269 (c) Nothing in this section shall affect or impair any agreement  
1270 entered into between a local or regional board of education or the  
1271 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1272 and a software company for purposes of creating and sharing digital  
1273 copies of a student's individualized education program and related  
1274 documents prior to the department providing a digital individualized  
1275 education program form software to such local or regional board of  
1276 education or [such technical high school system] the Technical  
1277 Education and Career System pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.  
1278 When any such agreement terminates or expires, the local or regional  
1279 board of education or the [technical high school system] Technical

1280 Education and Career System, as applicable, shall use the digital  
1281 individualized education program form software provided by the  
1282 department.

1283 Sec. 57. Section 10-95a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1284 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1285 The State Board of Education shall establish a student activity  
1286 program at each [of the state technical high schools] technical  
1287 education and career school. Such programs shall consist of athletic  
1288 and nonathletic activities. State funds may be expended for the  
1289 purposes of this section.

1290 Sec. 58. Subsection (a) of section 10-95e of the general statutes is  
1291 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1292 *1, 2017*):

1293 (a) The State Board of Education shall establish a Vocational  
1294 Education Extension Fund. Within said Vocational Education  
1295 Extension Fund, there is established an account to be known as the  
1296 "vocational education extension account". The Vocational Education  
1297 Extension Fund may include other accounts separate and apart from  
1298 the vocational education extension account. The vocational education  
1299 extension account shall be used for the operation of preparatory and  
1300 supplemental programs, including apprenticeship programs in  
1301 accordance with subsection (b) of this section, and for the purchase of  
1302 such materials and equipment required for use in the operation of said  
1303 programs. All proceeds derived from the operation of said programs  
1304 and revenue collected for rental or use of school facilities shall be  
1305 credited to and become a part of the resources of said vocational  
1306 education extension account, except as provided in subsection (b) of  
1307 this section. All direct expenses incurred in the conduct of said  
1308 programs shall be charged, and any payments of interest and principal  
1309 of bonds or any sums transferable to any fund for the payment of  
1310 interest and principal of bonds and any cost of equipment for such  
1311 operations may be charged, against said vocational education

1312 extension account on order of the State Comptroller. Any balance of  
1313 receipts above expenditures shall remain in said vocational education  
1314 extension account to be used for said program and for the acquisition,  
1315 as provided by section 4b-21, alteration and repairs of real property for  
1316 educational facilities for such programs, except such sums as may be  
1317 required to be transferred from time to time to any fund for the  
1318 redemption of bonds and payment of interest on bonds, provided  
1319 capital projects costing over one hundred thousand dollars shall  
1320 require the approval of the General Assembly or, when the General  
1321 Assembly is not in session, of the Finance Advisory Committee. The  
1322 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1323 board shall fix the tuition fees to be charged students for preparatory  
1324 and supplemental programs including apprenticeship programs. Not  
1325 less than half of the tuition fee charged for any apprenticeship  
1326 program shall be paid by the employer.

1327 Sec. 59. Section 10-95h of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1328 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1329 (a) Not later than November thirtieth each year, the joint standing  
1330 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1331 relating to education, higher education and employment advancement  
1332 and labor shall meet with the chairperson of the [technical high school  
1333 system] Technical Education and Career System board and the  
1334 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1335 Education and Career System, the Labor Commissioner, the  
1336 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and such  
1337 other persons as they deem appropriate to consider the items  
1338 submitted pursuant to subsection (b) of this section.

1339 (b) On or before November fifteenth, annually:

1340 (1) The Labor Commissioner shall submit the following to the joint  
1341 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
1342 matters relating to education, higher education and employment  
1343 advancement and labor: (A) Information identifying general economic

1344 trends in the state; (B) occupational information regarding the public  
1345 and private sectors, such as continuous data on occupational  
1346 movements; and (C) information identifying emerging regional, state  
1347 and national workforce needs over the next thirty years.

1348 (2) The superintendent of the [technical high school system]  
1349 Technical Education and Career System shall submit the following to  
1350 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
1351 cognizance of matters relating to education, higher education and  
1352 employment advancement and labor: (A) Information ensuring that  
1353 the curriculum of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1354 Education and Career System is incorporating those workforce skills  
1355 that will be needed for the next thirty years, as identified by the Labor  
1356 Commissioner in subdivision (1) of this subsection, into the technical  
1357 [high] education and career schools; (B) information regarding the  
1358 employment status of students who graduate from or complete an  
1359 approved program of study at the [technical high school system]  
1360 Technical Education and Career System, including, but not limited to:  
1361 (i) Demographics such as age and gender, (ii) course and program  
1362 enrollment and completion, (iii) employment status, and (iv) wages  
1363 prior to enrolling and after graduating; (C) an assessment of the  
1364 adequacy of the resources available to the [technical high school  
1365 system] Technical Education and Career System as the system  
1366 develops and refines programs to meet existing and emerging  
1367 workforce needs; (D) recommendations to the [technical high school  
1368 system] Technical Education and Career System board to carry out the  
1369 provisions of subparagraphs (A) to (C), inclusive, of this subdivision;  
1370 and (E) information regarding staffing at each technical [high]  
1371 education and career school for the current academic year. The  
1372 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1373 Education and Career System shall collaborate with the Labor  
1374 Commissioner to obtain information as needed to carry out the  
1375 provisions of this subsection.

1376 (3) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development  
1377 shall submit the following to the joint standing committees of the

1378 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,  
1379 higher education and employment advancement and labor: (A)  
1380 Information regarding the relationship between the Department of  
1381 Economic and Community Development and the [technical high  
1382 school system] Technical Education and Career System, (B)  
1383 information regarding coordinated efforts of the department and the  
1384 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1385 to collaborate with the business community, (C) information on  
1386 workforce training needs identified by the department through its  
1387 contact with businesses, (D) recommendations regarding how the  
1388 department and the [technical high school system] Technical  
1389 Education and Career System can coordinate or improve efforts to  
1390 address the workforce training needs identified in subparagraph (C) of  
1391 this subdivision, (E) information regarding the efforts of the  
1392 department to utilize the [technical high school system] Technical  
1393 Education and Career System in business assistance and economic  
1394 development programs offered by the department, and (F) any  
1395 additional information the commissioner deems relevant.

1396 Sec. 60. Section 10-95i of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1397 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1398 (a) Not later than January 1, 2020, and every five years thereafter,  
1399 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1400 System board shall adopt a long-range plan of priorities and goals for  
1401 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1402 System. The plan shall address coordination with other providers of  
1403 vocational, technical, [or] technological or postsecondary education or  
1404 training and shall include (1) an analysis of the activities described in  
1405 subsections (b) and (c) of this section and how such activities relate to  
1406 the long-range plan of priorities and goals, and (2) a summary of  
1407 activities related to capital improvements and equipment pursuant to  
1408 subsection (d) of this section. Upon adoption of the plan, the board  
1409 shall file the plan directly with the joint standing committees of the  
1410 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education,  
1411 finance, revenue and bonding and appropriations and the budgets of

1412 state agencies in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The  
1413 state board shall use the plan in preparing its five-year comprehensive  
1414 plan pursuant to subsection (c) of section 10-4.

1415 (b) During the five-year period beginning January 1, 2020, and  
1416 during each five-year period thereafter, the board shall evaluate each  
1417 existing technical [high] education and career school trade program in  
1418 accordance with a schedule which the board shall establish. A trade  
1419 program may be reauthorized for a period of not more than five years  
1420 following each evaluation on the basis of: The projected employment  
1421 demand for students enrolled in the trade program, including  
1422 consideration of the employment of graduates of the program during  
1423 the preceding five years; anticipated technological changes; the  
1424 availability of qualified instructors; the existence of similar programs  
1425 at other educational institutions; and student interest in the trade  
1426 program. As part of the evaluation, the board shall consider  
1427 geographic differences that may make a trade program feasible at one  
1428 school and not another and whether certain combinations of program  
1429 offerings shall be required. Prior to any final decision on the  
1430 reauthorization of a trade program, the board shall consult with the  
1431 craft committees for the trade program being evaluated.

1432 (c) The board shall consider the addition of new trade programs.  
1433 Decisions by the board to add such programs shall at a minimum be  
1434 based on the projected employment demand for graduates of the  
1435 program, the cost of establishing the program, the availability of  
1436 qualified instructors, the existence of similar programs at other  
1437 educational institutions and the interest of students in the trade. The  
1438 board shall authorize new trade programs for a maximum of five  
1439 years. The board shall provide a process for the public, including, but  
1440 not limited to, employers, parents, students or teachers, to request  
1441 consideration of the establishment of a new trade program.

1442 (d) The board shall maintain a rolling three-year capital  
1443 improvement and capital equipment plan that identifies: (1)  
1444 Alterations, renovations and repairs that each technical [high]

1445 education and career school is expected to need, including, but not  
1446 limited to, grounds and athletic fields, heating and ventilation systems,  
1447 wiring, roofs, and windows, and the cost of such projects, (2)  
1448 recommendations for energy efficiency improvements to each school  
1449 and the cost of such improvements, and (3) the specific equipment  
1450 each technical [high] education and career school is expected to need,  
1451 based on the useful life of existing equipment and projections of  
1452 changing technology and the estimated cost of the equipment. The  
1453 board shall submit such plan, annually, directly to the joint standing  
1454 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
1455 relating to education, finance, revenue and bonding and  
1456 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies in accordance with  
1457 the provisions of section 11-4a.

1458 Sec. 61. Section 10-95j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1459 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1460 The State Board of Education shall include in the report required  
1461 pursuant to section 10-95k, as amended by this act, a summary of the  
1462 following:

1463 (1) Admissions policies for [technical high schools] the Technical  
1464 Education and Career System;

1465 (2) Recruitment and retention of faculty;

1466 (3) Efforts to strengthen consideration of the needs of and to  
1467 develop greater public awareness of the [technical high schools]  
1468 Technical Education and Career System; and

1469 (4) Efforts to strengthen the role of school craft committees and  
1470 increase employer participation.

1471 Sec. 62. Section 10-95k of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1472 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1473 (a) Not later than January 1, 2017, and biennially thereafter, the  
1474 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System

1475 board shall prepare a summary report concerning the [technical high  
1476 school system] Technical Education and Career System and shall  
1477 submit the report directly to the joint standing committee of the  
1478 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education  
1479 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. The report shall  
1480 include demographic information for the preceding two school years  
1481 on applicants for admission, students enrolled and graduates, and a  
1482 summary of the capital and operating expenditures. Such information  
1483 shall be provided for the [technical high school system] Technical  
1484 Education and Career System and for each technical [high] education  
1485 and career school and satellite facility. Enrollment information shall be  
1486 reported by race and sex and by specific trade programs. Applicant  
1487 information shall include the number of applicants, the number  
1488 accepted and the number enrolled reported by race and sex.  
1489 Enrollment capacity for each school and projected enrollment capacity  
1490 for the subsequent school year shall be developed on the basis of a  
1491 standardized format and shall be reported for each school and satellite  
1492 facility. The report shall also include assessment of student outcomes  
1493 including, but not limited to, mastery examination results pursuant to  
1494 section 10-14n, retention and completion rates, and postsecondary  
1495 education or employment based on graduate follow-up and, for  
1496 purposes of employment placement, state unemployment insurance  
1497 wage records.

1498 (b) Reports prepared and submitted pursuant to subsection (a) of  
1499 this section on and after January 1, 2017, shall identify each technical  
1500 [high] education and career school for which enrollment on the  
1501 preceding October first was less than seventy per cent of the  
1502 enrollment capacity identified in the report pursuant to this section for  
1503 the prior year. For each such school the report shall include an analysis  
1504 of: (1) The reasons for such enrollment, including, but not limited to,  
1505 the interest in the specific trade programs offered, the resources  
1506 needed to serve special education students, demographic changes and  
1507 the existence of alternative vocational, technical and technological  
1508 educational training programs in the region in which the school is

1509 located; (2) the likelihood that enrollment will increase or decrease in  
1510 the future; (3) any alternative uses for unused space in the facility; and  
1511 (4) a recommendation on the steps to be taken to improve enrollment  
1512 or a timetable for closing the school. In preparing the analysis, the  
1513 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
1514 board shall provide an opportunity for public comment.

1515 Sec. 63. Section 10-95l of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1516 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1517 The Department of Education shall provide in-service training  
1518 programs, in accordance with subsection (a) of section 10-220a, for the  
1519 teachers, administrators and pupil personnel employed in the  
1520 [technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System who  
1521 hold the initial educator, provisional educator or professional educator  
1522 certificate. In addition, the department shall provide programs to  
1523 enhance the knowledge and skill level of such teachers in their  
1524 vocational or technical field.

1525 Sec. 64. Section 10-95n of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1526 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1527 Each technical [high] education and career school shall provide  
1528 access to directory information and on-campus recruiting  
1529 opportunities to representatives of the armed forces of the United  
1530 States of America and state armed services to the extent necessary  
1531 under federal law to prevent the loss of federal funds to such school or  
1532 to the state of Connecticut. The disclosure of information pursuant to  
1533 this section shall otherwise be subject to the provisions of the Freedom  
1534 of Information Act, as defined in section 1-200.

1535 Sec. 65. Section 10-95o of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1536 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1537 (a) (1) The State Board of Education shall not close or suspend  
1538 operations of any technical [high] education and career school for more  
1539 than six months unless the board (A) holds a public hearing at the

1540 school that may be closed or whose operations may be suspended, (B)  
1541 develops and makes available a comprehensive plan for such school in  
1542 accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (C)  
1543 affirmatively votes to close or suspend operations at a meeting duly  
1544 called. Such public hearing shall be held after normal school hours and  
1545 at least thirty days prior to any vote of the board pursuant to  
1546 subparagraph (C) of this subdivision.

1547 (2) The board shall not extend the closure or suspension of  
1548 operations of a technical [high] education and career school beyond the  
1549 period set forth in the comprehensive plan described in subsection (b)  
1550 of this section unless the board (A) holds another public hearing at a  
1551 location in the town in which the school is located, after normal school  
1552 hours and at least thirty days prior to any vote of the board pursuant  
1553 to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, (B) develops and makes  
1554 available a new comprehensive plan for such school in accordance  
1555 with the provisions of subsection (b) of this section, and (C)  
1556 affirmatively votes to extend such closure or suspension of school  
1557 operations at a meeting duly called.

1558 (b) The State Board of Education shall develop a comprehensive  
1559 plan regarding the closure or suspension of operations of any technical  
1560 [high] education and career school prior to the public hearing  
1561 described in subsection (a) of this section. Such comprehensive plan  
1562 shall include, but not be limited to, (1) an explanation of the reasons  
1563 for the school closure or suspension of operations, including a cost-  
1564 benefit analysis of such school closing or suspension of operations, (2)  
1565 the length of the school closure or suspension of operations, (3) the  
1566 financial plan for the school during the closure or suspension of  
1567 operations, including, but not limited to, the costs of such school  
1568 closure or suspension of operations, (4) a description of the transitional  
1569 phase to school closure or suspension of operations and a description  
1570 of the transitional phase to reopening the school, (5) an explanation of  
1571 what will happen to students currently enrolled at such school during  
1572 the school closure or suspension of operations, including, but not  
1573 limited to, available technical [high] education and career schools for

1574 such students to attend and transportation for such students to such  
1575 schools, (6) an explanation of what will happen to school personnel  
1576 during the school closure or suspension of operations, including, but  
1577 not limited to, employment at other schools, and (7) an explanation of  
1578 how the school building and property will be used during the school  
1579 closure or suspension of operations. The State Board of Education shall  
1580 provide for the mailing of such comprehensive plan to parents and  
1581 guardians of students enrolled at the school and to school personnel  
1582 employed at such school, and make such comprehensive plan  
1583 available on the school's web site at least fourteen days prior to the  
1584 public hearing described in subsection (a) of this section.

1585 (c) The State Board of Education shall be responsible for  
1586 transporting any student enrolled in a technical [high] education and  
1587 career school that is closed or whose operations are suspended  
1588 pursuant to this section to another technical [high] education and  
1589 career school during such period of closure or suspension of  
1590 operations, and the board shall be responsible for the costs associated  
1591 with such transportation.

1592 Sec. 66. Section 10-96c of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1593 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1594 The Commissioner of Education may indemnify and hold harmless  
1595 any person, as defined in section 1-79, as amended by this act, who  
1596 makes a gift of tangible property or properties with a fair market value  
1597 in excess of one thousand dollars to the Department of Education or  
1598 the [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career  
1599 System for instructional purposes. Any indemnification under this  
1600 section shall be solely for any damages caused as a result of the use of  
1601 such tangible property, provided there shall be no indemnification for  
1602 any liability resulting from (1) intentional or wilful misconduct by the  
1603 person providing such tangible property to the department or the  
1604 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System,  
1605 or (2) hidden defects in such tangible property that are known to and  
1606 not disclosed by the person providing such tangible property to the

1607 department or the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
1608 and Career System at the time the gift is made.

1609 Sec. 67. Section 10-97 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1610 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1611 (a) The board of education of any town or, where the boards of  
1612 education of constituent towns have so agreed, any regional school  
1613 district shall provide the reasonable and necessary transportation,  
1614 except as provided in section 10-233c, for any student under twenty-  
1615 one years of age who is not a graduate of a high school or technical  
1616 [high] education and career school and who resides with a parent or  
1617 guardian in such town or regional school district or who belongs to  
1618 such town, and who attends a state or state-approved technical [high]  
1619 education and career school within such local or regional school  
1620 district as a regular all-day student or as a high school cooperative  
1621 student, and for any such student who attends any such school in a  
1622 town other than the town of his residence. When the cost of such  
1623 transportation out-of-town would exceed the sum of two hundred  
1624 dollars per year, said board of education may elect to maintain such  
1625 student in the town where he or she attends such technical [high]  
1626 education and career school and for the cost of such maintenance the  
1627 local or regional school district shall be reimbursed in the same  
1628 manner and to the same extent as in the case of payment for  
1629 transportation. Each such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant  
1630 to section 10-266m, as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess  
1631 of eight hundred dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning  
1632 July 1, 1987, and in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an  
1633 additional twenty percentage points.

1634 (b) Any local or regional board of education which does not furnish  
1635 agricultural science and technology education approved by the State  
1636 Board of Education shall designate a school or schools having such a  
1637 course approved by the State Board of Education as the school which  
1638 any person may attend who has completed an elementary school  
1639 course through the eighth grade. The board of education shall pay the

1640 tuition and reasonable and necessary cost of transportation of any  
1641 person under twenty-one years of age who is not a graduate of a high  
1642 school or technical [high] education and career school and who attends  
1643 the designated school, provided transportation services may be  
1644 suspended in accordance with the provisions of section 10-233c. Each  
1645 such board's reimbursement percentage pursuant to section 10-266m,  
1646 as amended by this act, for expenditures in excess of eight hundred  
1647 dollars per pupil incurred in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1987, and  
1648 in each fiscal year thereafter, shall be increased by an additional  
1649 twenty percentage points.

1650 (c) Any local or regional board of education which transports  
1651 students to a state or state-approved technical [high] education and  
1652 career school, or school furnishing agricultural science and technology  
1653 education shall be reimbursed for a portion of such pupil  
1654 transportation annually in accordance with the provisions of section  
1655 10-266m, as amended by this act, and the provisions of subsections (a)  
1656 and (b) of this section relating to reimbursement percentages, provided  
1657 the reimbursement for transportation costs to a school furnishing  
1658 vocational agricultural training shall not exceed an amount equal to  
1659 such reimbursement of the costs of transporting such pupils to the  
1660 school furnishing a full program of vocational agricultural training  
1661 nearest to the sending school district at the time of the pupil's initial  
1662 enrollment in the program. Application for such reimbursement shall  
1663 be made by the board of education to the State Board of Education at  
1664 such time and in such manner as said state board prescribes. The  
1665 provisions of this section shall apply to a veteran who served in time of  
1666 war, as defined by section 27-103, without regard to age or whether or  
1667 not such veteran resides with a parent or guardian provided such  
1668 veteran is attending a state or state-approved vocational secondary  
1669 school.

1670 (d) The parents or guardian of any student or any veteran over  
1671 twenty-one who is denied the reasonable and necessary transportation  
1672 required in this section may appeal such lack of transportation in the  
1673 same manner as is provided in sections 10-186 and 10-187, as amended

1674 by this act.

1675 (e) For purposes of this section, a local or regional board of  
1676 education shall not be required to expend for transporting a student to  
1677 a technical [high] education and career school or an agricultural  
1678 science and technology education center an amount greater than six  
1679 thousand dollars, except that a board of education shall continue to  
1680 pay the reasonable and necessary costs of transporting a student who  
1681 is enrolled in such a school or center on July 1, 1996, until such student  
1682 completes the program at such school or center.

1683 Sec. 68. Section 10-97a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1684 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1685 On or before July 15, 2010, and annually thereafter, the State Board  
1686 of Education shall arrange for the inspection, in accordance with the  
1687 provisions of section 14-282a, of those school buses, as defined in  
1688 section 14-275, in operation in the [technical high school system]  
1689 Technical Education and Career System.

1690 Sec. 69. Section 10-97b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1691 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1692 (a) On and after July 1, 2010, the State Board of Education shall  
1693 replace any school bus that (1) is twelve years or older and is in service  
1694 at any technical [high] education and career school, or (2) has been  
1695 subject to an out-of-service order, as defined in section 14-1, for two  
1696 consecutive years for the same reason.

1697 (b) On or before July 1, 2011, and annually thereafter, the  
1698 superintendent of the [technical high school system] Technical  
1699 Education and Career System shall submit, in accordance with the  
1700 provisions of section 11-4a, to the Secretary of the Office of Policy and  
1701 Management and to the joint standing committees of the General  
1702 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to education and  
1703 finance, revenue and bonding a report on the replacement of school  
1704 buses in service in the [technical high school system] Technical

1705 Education and Career System, pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
1706 section. Such report shall include the number of school buses replaced  
1707 in the previous school year and a projection of the number of school  
1708 buses anticipated to be replaced in the upcoming school year.

1709 Sec. 70. Section 10-98a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1710 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1711 The director of each technical [high] education and career school  
1712 shall meet with members of the business community within the  
1713 geographic area served by the technical [high] education and career  
1714 school to develop a plan to assess workforce needs and implement  
1715 curriculum modifications to address those needs.

1716 Sec. 71. Subsection (a) of section 10-186 of the general statutes is  
1717 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1718 *1, 2017*):

1719 (a) Each local or regional board of education shall furnish, by  
1720 transportation or otherwise, school accommodations so that each child  
1721 five years of age and over and under twenty-one years of age who is  
1722 not a graduate of a high school or technical [high] education and career  
1723 school may attend public school, except as provided in section 10-233c  
1724 and subsection (d) of section 10-233d, as amended by this act. Any  
1725 board of education which denies school accommodations, including a  
1726 denial based on an issue of residency, to any such child shall inform  
1727 the parent or guardian of such child or the child, in the case of an  
1728 emancipated minor or a pupil eighteen years of age or older, of his  
1729 right to request a hearing by the board of education in accordance with  
1730 the provisions of subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section. A  
1731 board of education which has denied school accommodations shall  
1732 advise the board of education under whose jurisdiction it claims such  
1733 child should be attending school of the denial. For purposes of this  
1734 section, (1) a "parent or guardian" shall include a surrogate parent  
1735 appointed pursuant to section 10-94g, and (2) a child residing in a  
1736 dwelling located in more than one town in this state shall be

1737 considered a resident of each town in which the dwelling is located  
1738 and may attend school in any one of such towns. For purposes of this  
1739 subsection, "dwelling" means a single, two or three-family house or a  
1740 condominium unit.

1741 Sec. 72. Section 10-215b of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1742 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1743 (a) The State Board of Education is authorized to expend in each  
1744 fiscal year an amount equal to (1) the money required pursuant to the  
1745 matching requirements of said federal laws and shall disburse the  
1746 same in accordance with said laws, and (2) ten cents per lunch served  
1747 in the prior school year in accordance with said laws by any local or  
1748 regional board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1749 Technical Education and Career System or governing authority of a  
1750 state charter school, interdistrict magnet school or endowed academy  
1751 approved pursuant to section 10-34 that participates in the National  
1752 School Lunch Program and certifies pursuant to section 10-215f, as  
1753 amended by this act, that the nutrition standards established by the  
1754 Department of Education pursuant to section 10-215e shall be met.

1755 (b) The State Board of Education shall prescribe the manner and  
1756 time of application by such board of education, the [technical high  
1757 school system] Technical Education and Career System, such  
1758 governing authority or controlling authority of the nonpublic schools  
1759 for such funds, provided such application shall include the  
1760 certification that any funds received pursuant to subsection (a) of this  
1761 section shall be used for the program approved. The State Board of  
1762 Education shall determine the eligibility of the applicant to receive  
1763 such grants pursuant to regulations provided in subsection (c) of this  
1764 section and shall certify to the Comptroller the amount of the grant for  
1765 which the board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1766 Technical Education and Career System, the governing authority or the  
1767 controlling authority of a nonpublic school is eligible. Upon receipt of  
1768 such certification, the Comptroller shall draw an order on the  
1769 Treasurer in the amount, at the time and to the payee so certified.

1770 (c) The State Board of Education may adopt such regulations as may  
1771 be necessary in implementing sections 10-215 to 10-215b, inclusive, as  
1772 amended by this act.

1773 (d) The Commissioner of Education shall establish a procedure for  
1774 monitoring compliance by boards of education, the [technical high  
1775 school system] Technical Education and Career System, or governing  
1776 authorities with certifications submitted in accordance with section 10-  
1777 215f, as amended by this act, and may adjust grant amounts pursuant  
1778 to subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section based on failure to  
1779 comply with said certification.

1780 Sec. 73. Section 10-215f of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1781 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1782 (a) Each local and regional board of education, the [technical high  
1783 school system] Technical Education and Career System, and the  
1784 governing authority for each state charter school, interdistrict magnet  
1785 school and endowed academy approved pursuant to section 10-34 that  
1786 participates in the National School Lunch Program shall certify in its  
1787 annual application to the Department of Education for school lunch  
1788 funding whether, during the school year for which such application is  
1789 submitted, all food items made available for sale to students in schools  
1790 under its jurisdiction and not exempted from the nutrition standards  
1791 published by the Department of Education pursuant to section 10-215e  
1792 will meet said standards. Except as otherwise provided in subsection  
1793 (b) of this section, such certification shall include food not exempted  
1794 from said nutrition standards and offered for sale to students at all  
1795 times, and from all sources, including, but not limited to, school stores,  
1796 vending machines, school cafeterias, and any fundraising activities on  
1797 school premises, whether or not school sponsored.

1798 (b) Each board of education, the [technical high school system]  
1799 Technical Education and Career System and each governing authority  
1800 that certifies pursuant to this section compliance with the department's  
1801 nutrition standards for food may exclude from such certification the

1802 sale to students of food items that do not meet such standards,  
1803 provided (1) such sale is in connection with an event occurring after  
1804 the end of the regular school day or on the weekend, (2) such sale is at  
1805 the location of such event, and (3) such food is not sold from a vending  
1806 machine or school store.

1807 Sec. 74. Section 10-220d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
1808 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

1809 Each local and regional board of education shall provide full access  
1810 to technical [high] education and career schools, regional agricultural  
1811 science and technology education centers, interdistrict magnet schools,  
1812 charter schools and interdistrict student attendance programs for the  
1813 recruitment of students attending the schools under the board's  
1814 jurisdiction, provided such recruitment is not for the purpose of  
1815 interscholastic athletic competition. Each local and regional board of  
1816 education shall provide information relating to technical [high]  
1817 education and career schools, regional agricultural science and  
1818 technology education centers, interdistrict magnet schools, charter  
1819 schools, alternative high schools and interdistrict student attendance  
1820 programs on the board's web site. Each local and regional board of  
1821 education shall inform students and parents of students in middle and  
1822 high schools within such board's jurisdiction of the availability of (1)  
1823 vocational, technical, [and] technological and postsecondary education  
1824 and training at technical [high] education and career schools, and (2)  
1825 agricultural science and technology education at regional agricultural  
1826 science and technology education centers.

1827 Sec. 75. Subsection (e) of section 10-233d of the general statutes is  
1828 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
1829 *1, 2017*):

1830 (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (d) of this section  
1831 concerning the provision of an alternative educational opportunity for  
1832 pupils between the ages of sixteen and eighteen, local and regional  
1833 boards of education shall not be required to offer such alternative to

1834 any pupil between the ages of sixteen and eighteen who is expelled  
1835 because of conduct which endangers persons if it is determined at the  
1836 expulsion hearing that the conduct for which the pupil is expelled  
1837 involved (1) possession of a firearm, as defined in 18 USC 921, as  
1838 amended from time to time, or deadly weapon, dangerous instrument  
1839 or martial arts weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, on school property  
1840 or at a school-sponsored activity, or (2) offering for sale or distribution  
1841 on school property or at a school-sponsored activity a controlled  
1842 substance, as defined in subdivision (9) of section 21a-240, whose  
1843 manufacture, distribution, sale, prescription, dispensing, transporting  
1844 or possessing with the intent to sell or dispense, offering, or  
1845 administration is subject to criminal penalties under sections 21a-277  
1846 and 21a-278. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for  
1847 possession of a firearm or deadly weapon the board of education shall  
1848 report the violation to the local police department or in the case of a  
1849 student enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school to  
1850 the state police. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for the  
1851 sale or distribution of such a controlled substance, the board of  
1852 education shall refer the pupil to an appropriate state or local agency  
1853 for rehabilitation, intervention or job training, or any combination  
1854 thereof, and inform the agency of its action. Whenever a local or  
1855 regional board of education notifies a pupil between the ages of sixteen  
1856 and eighteen or the parents or guardian of such pupil that an  
1857 expulsion hearing will be held, the notification shall include a  
1858 statement that the board of education is not required to offer an  
1859 alternative educational opportunity to any pupil who is found to have  
1860 engaged in the conduct described in this subsection.

1861 Sec. 76. Section 10-233d of the general statutes, as amended by  
1862 section 12 of public act 16-147, is repealed and the following is  
1863 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective August 15, 2017*):

1864 (a) (1) Any local or regional board of education, at a meeting at  
1865 which three or more members of such board are present, or the  
1866 impartial hearing board established pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
1867 section, may expel, subject to the provisions of this subsection, any

1868 pupil in grades three to twelve, inclusive, whose conduct on school  
1869 grounds or at a school-sponsored activity is violative of a publicized  
1870 policy of such board or is seriously disruptive of the educational  
1871 process or endangers persons or property or whose conduct off school  
1872 grounds is violative of such policy and is seriously disruptive of the  
1873 educational process, provided a majority of the board members sitting  
1874 in the expulsion hearing vote to expel and that at least three  
1875 affirmative votes for expulsion are cast. In making a determination as  
1876 to whether conduct is seriously disruptive of the educational process,  
1877 the board of education or impartial hearing board may consider, but  
1878 such consideration shall not be limited to: (A) Whether the incident  
1879 occurred within close proximity of a school; (B) whether other students  
1880 from the school were involved or whether there was any gang  
1881 involvement; (C) whether the conduct involved violence, threats of  
1882 violence or the unlawful use of a weapon, as defined in section 29-38,  
1883 and whether any injuries occurred; and (D) whether the conduct  
1884 involved the use of alcohol.

1885 (2) Expulsion proceedings pursuant to this section, except as  
1886 provided in subsection (i) of this section, shall be required for any  
1887 pupil in grades kindergarten to twelve, inclusive, whenever there is  
1888 reason to believe that any pupil (A) on school grounds or at a school-  
1889 sponsored activity, was in possession of a firearm, as defined in 18  
1890 USC 921, as amended from time to time, or deadly weapon, dangerous  
1891 instrument or martial arts weapon, as defined in section 53a-3, (B) off  
1892 school grounds, did possess such a firearm in violation of section 29-35  
1893 or did possess and use such a firearm, instrument or weapon in the  
1894 commission of a crime under chapter 952, or (C) on or off school  
1895 grounds, offered for sale or distribution a controlled substance, as  
1896 defined in subdivision (9) of section 21a-240, whose manufacture,  
1897 distribution, sale, prescription, dispensing, transporting or possessing  
1898 with intent to sell or dispense, offering, or administering is subject to  
1899 criminal penalties under sections 21a-277 and 21a-278. Such a pupil  
1900 shall be expelled for one calendar year if the local or regional board of  
1901 education or impartial hearing board finds that the pupil did so

1902 possess or so possess and use, as appropriate, such a firearm,  
1903 instrument or weapon or did so offer for sale or distribution such a  
1904 controlled substance, provided the board of education or the hearing  
1905 board may modify the period of expulsion for a pupil on a case-by-  
1906 case basis, and as provided for in subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of  
1907 this section.

1908 (3) Unless an emergency exists, no pupil shall be expelled without a  
1909 formal hearing held pursuant to sections 4-176e to 4-180a, inclusive,  
1910 and section 4-181a, provided whenever such pupil is a minor, the  
1911 notice required by section 4-177 and section 4-180 shall also be given to  
1912 the parents or guardian of the pupil at least five business days before  
1913 such hearing. If an emergency exists, such hearing shall be held as  
1914 soon after the expulsion as possible. The notice shall include  
1915 information concerning the parent's or guardian's and the pupil's legal  
1916 rights and concerning legal services provided free of charge or at a  
1917 reduced rate that are available locally and how to access such services.  
1918 An attorney or other advocate may represent any pupil subject to  
1919 expulsion proceedings. The parent or guardian of the pupil shall have  
1920 the right to have the expulsion hearing postponed for up to one week  
1921 to allow time to obtain representation, except that if an emergency  
1922 exists, such hearing shall be held as soon after the expulsion as  
1923 possible.

1924 (b) For purposes of conducting expulsion hearings as required by  
1925 subsection (a) of this section, any local or regional board of education  
1926 or any two or more of such boards in cooperation may establish an  
1927 impartial hearing board of one or more persons. No member of any  
1928 such board or boards shall be a member of the hearing board. The  
1929 hearing board shall have the authority to conduct the expulsion  
1930 hearing and render a final decision in accordance with the provisions  
1931 of sections 4-176e to 4-180a, inclusive, and section 4-181a.

1932 (c) (1) In determining the length of an expulsion and the nature of  
1933 the alternative educational opportunity to be offered under subsection  
1934 (d) of this section, the local or regional board of education, or the

1935 impartial hearing board established pursuant to subsection (b) of this  
1936 section, may receive and consider evidence of past disciplinary  
1937 problems that have led to removal from a classroom, suspension or  
1938 expulsion of such pupil.

1939 (2) For any pupil expelled for the first time pursuant to this section  
1940 and who has never been suspended pursuant to section 10-233c, except  
1941 for a pupil who has been expelled based on possession of a firearm or  
1942 deadly weapon as described in subsection (a) of this section, the local  
1943 or regional board of education may shorten the length of or waive the  
1944 expulsion period if the pupil successfully completes a board-specified  
1945 program and meets any other conditions required by the board. Such  
1946 board-specified program shall not require the pupil or the parent or  
1947 guardian of the pupil to pay for participation in the program.

1948 (d) Any pupil under sixteen years of age who is expelled shall be  
1949 offered an alternative educational opportunity, which shall be  
1950 equivalent to alternative education, as defined by section 10-74j, with  
1951 an individualized learning plan, during the period of expulsion,  
1952 provided any parent or guardian of such pupil who does not choose to  
1953 have his or her child enrolled in an alternative educational program  
1954 shall not be subject to the provisions of section 10-184. Any pupil  
1955 expelled for the first time who is between the ages of sixteen and  
1956 eighteen and who wishes to continue his or her education shall be  
1957 offered such an alternative educational opportunity if he or she  
1958 complies with conditions established by his or her local or regional  
1959 board of education. Such alternative educational opportunity may  
1960 include, but shall not be limited to, the placement of a pupil who is at  
1961 least seventeen years of age in an adult education program pursuant to  
1962 section 10-69, as amended by this act. Any pupil participating in an  
1963 adult education program during a period of expulsion shall not be  
1964 required to withdraw from school under section 10-184. A local or  
1965 regional board of education shall count the expulsion of a pupil when  
1966 he was under sixteen years of age for purposes of determining whether  
1967 an alternative educational opportunity is required for such pupil when  
1968 he is between the ages of sixteen and eighteen. A local or regional

1969 board of education may offer an alternative educational opportunity to  
1970 a pupil for whom such alternative educational opportunity is not  
1971 required pursuant to this section.

1972 (e) If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for possession of a  
1973 firearm, as defined in 18 USC 921, as amended from time to time, or  
1974 deadly weapon, dangerous instrument or martial arts weapon, as  
1975 defined in section 53a-3, the board of education shall report the  
1976 violation to the local police department or in the case of a student  
1977 enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school to the state  
1978 police. If a pupil is expelled pursuant to this section for the sale or  
1979 distribution of a controlled substance, as defined in subdivision (9) of  
1980 section 21a-240, whose manufacture, distribution, sale, prescription,  
1981 dispensing, transporting or possessing with the intent to sell or  
1982 dispense, offering, or administration is subject to criminal penalties  
1983 under sections 21a-277 and 21a-278, the board of education shall refer  
1984 the pupil to an appropriate state or local agency for rehabilitation,  
1985 intervention or job training, or any combination thereof, and inform  
1986 the agency of its action.

1987 (f) Whenever a pupil is expelled pursuant to the provisions of this  
1988 section, notice of the expulsion and the conduct for which the pupil  
1989 was expelled shall be included on the pupil's cumulative educational  
1990 record. Such notice, except for notice of an expulsion of a pupil in  
1991 grades nine to twelve, inclusive, based on possession of a firearm or  
1992 deadly weapon as described in subsection (a) of this section, (1) shall  
1993 be expunged from the cumulative educational record by the local or  
1994 regional board of education if a pupil graduates from high school, or  
1995 (2) may be expunged from the cumulative educational record by the  
1996 local or regional board of education before a pupil graduates from  
1997 high school if (A) in the case of a pupil for which the length of the  
1998 expulsion period is shortened or the expulsion period is waived  
1999 pursuant to subdivision (2) of subsection (c) of this section, such board  
2000 determines that an expungement is warranted at the time such pupil  
2001 completes the board-specified program and meets any other  
2002 conditions required by such board pursuant to subdivision (2) of

2003 subsection (c) of this section, or (B) such pupil has demonstrated to  
2004 such board that the conduct and behavior of such pupil in the years  
2005 following such expulsion warrants an expungement. A local or  
2006 regional board of education, in determining whether to expunge such  
2007 notice under subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, may receive and  
2008 consider evidence of any subsequent disciplinary problems that have  
2009 led to removal from a classroom, suspension or expulsion of such  
2010 pupil.

2011 (g) A local or regional board of education may adopt the decision of  
2012 a pupil expulsion hearing conducted by another school district  
2013 provided such local or regional board of education or impartial  
2014 hearing board shall hold a hearing pursuant to the provisions of  
2015 subsection (a) of this section which shall be limited to a determination  
2016 of whether the conduct which was the basis for the expulsion would  
2017 also warrant expulsion under the policies of such board. The pupil  
2018 shall be excluded from school pending such hearing. The excluded  
2019 student shall be offered an alternative educational opportunity in  
2020 accordance with the provisions of subsections (d) and (e) of this  
2021 section.

2022 (h) Whenever a pupil against whom an expulsion hearing is  
2023 pending withdraws from school after notification of such hearing but  
2024 before the hearing is completed and a decision rendered pursuant to  
2025 this section, (1) notice of the pending expulsion hearing shall be  
2026 included on the pupil's cumulative educational record, and (2) the  
2027 local or regional board of education or impartial hearing board shall  
2028 complete the expulsion hearing and render a decision. If such pupil  
2029 enrolls in school in another school district, such pupil shall not be  
2030 excluded from school in the other district pending completion of the  
2031 expulsion hearing pursuant to this subsection unless an emergency  
2032 exists, provided nothing in this subsection shall limit the authority of  
2033 the local or regional board of education for such district to suspend the  
2034 pupil or to conduct its own expulsion hearing in accordance with this  
2035 section.

2036 (i) Prior to conducting an expulsion hearing for a child requiring  
2037 special education and related services described in subparagraph (A)  
2038 of subdivision (5) of section 10-76a, a planning and placement team  
2039 shall convene to determine whether the misconduct was caused by the  
2040 child's disability. If it is determined that the misconduct was caused by  
2041 the child's disability, the child shall not be expelled. The planning and  
2042 placement team shall reevaluate the child for the purpose of modifying  
2043 the child's individualized education program to address the  
2044 misconduct and to ensure the safety of other children and staff in the  
2045 school. If it is determined that the misconduct was not caused by the  
2046 child's disability, the child may be expelled in accordance with the  
2047 provisions of this section applicable to children who do not require  
2048 special education and related services. Notwithstanding the provisions  
2049 of subsections (d) and (e) of this section, whenever a child requiring  
2050 such special education and related services is expelled, an alternative  
2051 educational opportunity, consistent with such child's educational  
2052 needs shall be provided during the period of expulsion.

2053 (j) An expelled pupil may apply for early readmission to school.  
2054 Except as provided in this subsection, such readmission shall be at the  
2055 discretion of the local or regional board of education. The board of  
2056 education may delegate authority for readmission decisions to the  
2057 superintendent of schools for the school district. If the board delegates  
2058 such authority, readmission shall be at the discretion of the  
2059 superintendent. Readmission decisions shall not be subject to appeal to  
2060 Superior Court. The board or superintendent, as appropriate, may  
2061 condition such readmission on specified criteria.

2062 (k) Local and regional boards of education shall submit to the  
2063 Commissioner of Education such information on expulsions for the  
2064 possession of weapons as required for purposes of the Gun-Free  
2065 Schools Act of 1994, 20 USC 8921 et seq., as amended from time to  
2066 time.

2067 (l) (1) Any student who commits an expellable offense and is  
2068 subsequently committed to a juvenile detention center, the Connecticut

2069 Juvenile Training School or any other residential placement for such  
2070 offense may be expelled by a local or regional board of education in  
2071 accordance with the provisions of this section. The period of expulsion  
2072 shall run concurrently with the period of commitment to a juvenile  
2073 detention center, the Connecticut Juvenile Training School or any other  
2074 residential placement.

2075 (2) If a student who committed an expellable offense seeks to return  
2076 to a school district after participating in a diversionary program or  
2077 having been detained in a juvenile detention center, the Connecticut  
2078 Juvenile Training School or any other residential placement and such  
2079 student has not been expelled by the local or regional board of  
2080 education for such offense under subdivision (1) of this subsection, the  
2081 local or regional board of education for the school district to which the  
2082 student is returning shall allow such student to return and may not  
2083 expel the student for additional time for such offense.

2084 Sec. 77. Subsection (a) of section 10-235 of the general statutes is  
2085 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2086 *1, 2017*):

2087 (a) Each board of education shall protect and save harmless any  
2088 member of such board or any teacher or other employee thereof or any  
2089 member of its supervisory or administrative staff, and the State Board  
2090 of Education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education, the board of  
2091 trustees of each state institution and each state agency which employs  
2092 any teacher, and the managing board of any public school, as defined  
2093 in section 10-183b, including the governing council of any charter  
2094 school, shall protect and save harmless any member of such boards, or  
2095 any teacher or other employee thereof or any member of its  
2096 supervisory or administrative staff employed by it, from financial loss  
2097 and expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any  
2098 claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of alleged negligence or  
2099 other act resulting in accidental bodily injury to or death of any  
2100 person, or in accidental damage to or destruction of property, within  
2101 or without the school building, or any other acts, including but not

2102 limited to infringement of any person's civil rights, resulting in any  
2103 injury, which acts are not wanton, reckless or malicious, provided such  
2104 teacher, member or employee, at the time of the acts resulting in such  
2105 injury, damage or destruction, was acting in the discharge of his or her  
2106 duties or within the scope of employment or under the direction of  
2107 such board of education, the Board of Regents for Higher Education,  
2108 board of trustees, state agency, department or managing board;  
2109 provided that the provisions of this section shall not limit or otherwise  
2110 affect application of section 4-165 concerning immunity from personal  
2111 liability. For the purposes of this section, the terms "teacher" and "other  
2112 employee" shall include (1) any person who is a cooperating teacher  
2113 pursuant to section 10-220a, teacher mentor or reviewer, (2) any  
2114 student teacher doing practice teaching under the direction of a teacher  
2115 employed by a local or regional board of education or by the State  
2116 Board of Education or Board of Regents for Higher Education, (3) any  
2117 student enrolled in a technical [high] education and career school who  
2118 is engaged in a supervised health-related field placement program  
2119 which constitutes all or part of a course of instruction for credit by a  
2120 technical [high] education and career school, provided such health-  
2121 related field placement program is part of the curriculum of such  
2122 technical [high] education and career school, and provided further  
2123 such course is a requirement for graduation or professional licensure  
2124 or certification, (4) any volunteer approved by a board of education to  
2125 carry out a duty prescribed by said board and under the direction of a  
2126 certificated staff member including any person, partnership, limited  
2127 liability company or corporation providing students with community-  
2128 based career education, (5) any volunteer approved by a board of  
2129 education to carry out the duties of a school bus safety monitor as  
2130 prescribed by said board, (6) any member of the faculty or staff or any  
2131 student employed by The University of Connecticut Health Center or  
2132 health services, (7) any student enrolled in a constituent unit of the  
2133 state system of higher education who is engaged in a supervised  
2134 program of field work or clinical practice which constitutes all or part  
2135 of a course of instruction for credit by a constituent unit, provided  
2136 such course of instruction is part of the curriculum of a constituent

2137 unit, and provided further such course (i) is a requirement for an  
2138 academic degree or professional licensure or (ii) is offered by the  
2139 constituent unit in partial fulfillment of its accreditation obligations,  
2140 and (8) any student enrolled in a constituent unit of the state system of  
2141 higher education who is acting in the capacity of a member of a  
2142 student discipline committee established pursuant to section 4-188a.

2143 Sec. 78. Subsection (d) of section 10-262n of the general statutes is  
2144 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2145 *1, 2017*):

2146 (d) (1) Each school district shall be eligible to receive a minimum  
2147 grant under the program as follows: (A) Each school district in towns  
2148 ranked from one to one hundred thirteen, inclusive, when all towns  
2149 are ranked in ascending order from one to one hundred sixty-nine  
2150 based on town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section 10-262f,  
2151 shall be eligible to receive a minimum grant in the amount of thirty  
2152 thousand dollars, and (B) each school district in towns ranked from  
2153 one hundred fourteen to one hundred sixty-nine, inclusive, when all  
2154 towns are ranked in ascending order from one to one hundred sixty-  
2155 nine based on town wealth, as defined in subdivision (26) of section  
2156 10-262f, shall be eligible to receive a minimum grant under the  
2157 program in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars. Such minimum  
2158 grant may be increased for certain school districts pursuant to  
2159 subdivision (4) of this subsection. (2) The department shall use (A) one  
2160 hundred thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for purposes of  
2161 this section for the [technical high schools] Technical Education and  
2162 Career System for wiring and other technology initiatives at such  
2163 schools, and (B) fifty thousand dollars of the amount appropriated for  
2164 purposes of this section for technology grants to state charter schools.  
2165 The amount of the grant each state charter school receives shall be  
2166 based on the number of students enrolled in the school. (3) The  
2167 department may retain up to one per cent of the amount appropriated  
2168 for purposes of this section for coordination, program evaluation and  
2169 administration. (4) Any remaining appropriated funds shall be used to  
2170 increase the grants to (A) priority school districts pursuant to section

2171 10-266p, (B) transitional school districts pursuant to section 10-263c,  
2172 and (C) school districts in towns ranked from one to eighty-five,  
2173 inclusive, when all towns are ranked in ascending order from one to  
2174 one hundred sixty-nine based on town wealth, as defined in section 10-  
2175 262f. Each such school district shall receive an amount based on the  
2176 ratio of the number of resident students, as defined in said section 10-  
2177 262f, in such school district to the total number of resident students in  
2178 all such school districts.

2179 Sec. 79. Section 10-262s of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2180 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2181 The Commissioner of Education may, to assist the state in meeting  
2182 the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v.  
2183 William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2184 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2185 as extended, transfer funds appropriated for the Sheff settlement to the  
2186 following: (1) Grants for interdistrict cooperative programs pursuant  
2187 to section 10-74d, as amended by this act, (2) grants for state charter  
2188 schools pursuant to section 10-66ee, (3) grants for the interdistrict  
2189 public school attendance program pursuant to section 10-266aa, (4)  
2190 grants for interdistrict magnet schools pursuant to section 10-264l, as  
2191 amended by this act, and (5) to [technical high schools] the Technical  
2192 Education and Career System for programming.

2193 Sec. 80. Subsection (a) of section 10-264l of the general statutes is  
2194 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2195 *1, 2017*):

2196 (a) The Department of Education shall, within available  
2197 appropriations, establish a grant program (1) to assist (A) local and  
2198 regional boards of education, (B) regional educational service centers,  
2199 (C) the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges on  
2200 behalf of Quinebaug Valley Community College and Three Rivers  
2201 Community College, and (D) cooperative arrangements pursuant to  
2202 section 10-158a, and (2) in assisting the state in meeting the goals of the

2203 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et  
2204 al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo  
2205 Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, as determined by  
2206 the Commissioner of Education, to assist (A) the Board of Trustees of  
2207 the Community-Technical Colleges on behalf of a regional community-  
2208 technical college, (B) the Board of Trustees of the Connecticut State  
2209 University System on behalf of a state university, (C) the Board of  
2210 Trustees of The University of Connecticut on behalf of the university,  
2211 (D) the board of governors for an independent institution of higher  
2212 education, as defined in subsection (a) of section 10a-173, or the  
2213 equivalent of such a board, on behalf of the independent institution of  
2214 higher education, and (E) any other third-party not-for-profit  
2215 corporation approved by the commissioner with the operation of  
2216 interdistrict magnet school programs. All interdistrict magnet schools  
2217 shall be operated in conformance with the same laws and regulations  
2218 applicable to public schools. For the purposes of this section "an  
2219 interdistrict magnet school program" means a program which (i)  
2220 supports racial, ethnic and economic diversity, (ii) offers a special and  
2221 high quality curriculum, and (iii) requires students who are enrolled to  
2222 attend at least half-time. An interdistrict magnet school program does  
2223 not include a regional agricultural science and technology school, a  
2224 technical [high] education and career school or a regional special  
2225 education center. On and after July 1, 2000, the governing authority for  
2226 each interdistrict magnet school program that is in operation prior to  
2227 July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of students that may enroll in the  
2228 program from a participating district to eighty per cent of the total  
2229 enrollment of the program. The governing authority for each  
2230 interdistrict magnet school program that begins operations on or after  
2231 July 1, 2005, shall restrict the number of students that may enroll in the  
2232 program from a participating district to seventy-five per cent of the  
2233 total enrollment of the program, and maintain such a school  
2234 enrollment that at least twenty-five per cent but not more than  
2235 seventy-five per cent of the students enrolled are pupils of racial  
2236 minorities, as defined in section 10-226a. The governing authority of an  
2237 interdistrict magnet school that the commissioner determines will

2238 assist the state in meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order  
2239 for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the  
2240 goals of the 2013 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William  
2241 A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, shall restrict the number of students that  
2242 may enroll in the program from a participating district in accordance  
2243 with the provisions of this subsection, provided such enrollment is in  
2244 accordance with the reduced-isolation setting standards of such 2013  
2245 stipulation and order.

2246 Sec. 81. Subdivision (5) of subsection (a) of section 10-266m of the  
2247 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2248 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2249 (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the  
2250 Commissioner of Education may provide grants, within available  
2251 appropriations, in an amount not to exceed two thousand dollars per  
2252 pupil, to local and regional boards of education and regional  
2253 educational service centers that transport (A) out-of-district students to  
2254 a technical [high schools] education and career school located in  
2255 Hartford, or (B) Hartford students attending a technical [high]  
2256 education and career school or a regional agricultural science and  
2257 technology education center outside of the district, to assist the state in  
2258 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.  
2259 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2260 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2261 as extended, as determined by the commissioner, for the costs  
2262 associated with such transportation.

2263 Sec. 82. Subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of section 10-283 of the  
2264 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2265 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2266 (2) The Commissioner of Education shall assign each school  
2267 building project to a category on the basis of whether such project is  
2268 primarily required to: (A) Create new facilities or alter existing  
2269 facilities to provide for mandatory instructional programs pursuant to

2270 this chapter, for physical education facilities in compliance with Title  
2271 IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972 where such  
2272 programs or such compliance cannot be provided within existing  
2273 facilities or for the correction of code violations which cannot be  
2274 reasonably addressed within existing program space; (B) create new  
2275 facilities or alter existing facilities to enhance mandatory instructional  
2276 programs pursuant to this chapter or provide comparable facilities  
2277 among schools to all students at the same grade level or levels within  
2278 the school district unless such project is otherwise explicitly included  
2279 in another category pursuant to this section; and (C) create new  
2280 facilities or alter existing facilities to provide supportive services,  
2281 provided in no event shall such supportive services include swimming  
2282 pools, auditoriums, outdoor athletic facilities, tennis courts,  
2283 elementary school playgrounds, site improvement or garages or  
2284 storage, parking or general recreation areas. All applications submitted  
2285 prior to July first shall be reviewed promptly by the Commissioner of  
2286 Administrative Services. The Commissioner of Administrative Services  
2287 shall estimate the amount of the grant for which such project is  
2288 eligible, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-285a, provided  
2289 an application for a school building project determined by the  
2290 Commissioner of Education to be a project that will assist the state in  
2291 meeting the goals of the 2008 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al.  
2292 v. William A. O'Neill, et al., as extended, or the goals of the 2013  
2293 stipulation and order for Milo Sheff, et al. v. William A. O'Neill, et al.,  
2294 as extended, shall have until September first to submit an application  
2295 for such a project and may have until December first of the same year  
2296 to secure and report all local and state approvals required to complete  
2297 the grant application. The Commissioner of Administrative Services  
2298 shall annually prepare a listing of all such eligible school building  
2299 projects listed by category together with the amount of the estimated  
2300 grants for such projects and shall submit the same to the Governor, the  
2301 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the General  
2302 Assembly on or before the fifteenth day of December, except as  
2303 provided in section 10-283a, with a request for authorization to enter  
2304 into grant commitments. On or before December thirty-first annually,

2305 the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit  
2306 comments and recommendations regarding each eligible project on  
2307 such listing of eligible school building projects to the school  
2308 construction committee, established pursuant to section 10-283a. Each  
2309 such listing submitted after December 15, 2005, until December 15,  
2310 2010, inclusive, shall include a separate schedule of authorized projects  
2311 which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined by the  
2312 Commissioner of Education once, and a separate schedule of  
2313 authorized projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree  
2314 determined by said commissioner twice. Any such listing submitted  
2315 after December 15, 2010, until December 15, 2011, inclusive, shall  
2316 include a separate schedule of authorized projects which have changed  
2317 in scope or cost to a degree determined by the Commissioner of  
2318 Administrative Services once, and a separate schedule of authorized  
2319 projects which have changed in scope or cost to a degree determined  
2320 by said commissioner twice. For the period beginning July 1, 2011, and  
2321 ending December 31, 2013, each such listing shall include a report on  
2322 the review conducted by the Commissioner of Education of the  
2323 enrollment projections for each such eligible project. On and after  
2324 January 1, 2014, each such listing shall include a report on the review  
2325 conducted by the Commissioner of Administrative Services of the  
2326 enrollment projections for each such eligible project. For the period  
2327 beginning July 1, 2006, and ending June 30, 2012, no project, other than  
2328 a project for a technical [high] education and career school, may  
2329 appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which have  
2330 changed in cost more than twice. On and after July 1, 2012, no project,  
2331 other than a project for a technical [high] education and career school,  
2332 may appear on the separate schedule of authorized projects which  
2333 have changed in cost more than once, except the Commissioner of  
2334 Administrative Services may allow a project to appear on such  
2335 separate schedule of authorized projects a second time if the town or  
2336 regional school district for such project can demonstrate that exigent  
2337 circumstances require such project to appear a second time on such  
2338 separate schedule of authorized projects. Notwithstanding any  
2339 provision of this chapter, no projects which have changed in scope or

2340 cost to the degree determined by the Commissioner of Administrative  
2341 Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Education, shall be  
2342 eligible for reimbursement under this chapter unless it appears on such  
2343 list. The percentage determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the time  
2344 a school building project on such schedule was originally authorized  
2345 shall be used for purposes of the grant for such project. On and after  
2346 July 1, 2006, a project that was not previously authorized as an  
2347 interdistrict magnet school shall not receive a higher percentage for  
2348 reimbursement than that determined pursuant to section 10-285a at the  
2349 time a school building project on such schedule was originally  
2350 authorized. The General Assembly shall annually authorize the  
2351 Commissioner of Administrative Services to enter into grant  
2352 commitments on behalf of the state in accordance with the  
2353 commissioner's categorized listing for such projects as the General  
2354 Assembly shall determine. The Commissioner of Administrative  
2355 Services may not enter into any such grant commitments except  
2356 pursuant to such legislative authorization. Any regional school district  
2357 which assumes the responsibility for completion of a public school  
2358 building project shall be eligible for a grant pursuant to subdivision (5)  
2359 or (6), as the case may be, of subsection (a) of section 10-286 when such  
2360 project is completed and accepted by such regional school district.

2361 Sec. 83. Subsection (a) of section 10-283b of the general statutes is  
2362 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2363 *1, 2017*):

2364 (a) On and after July 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Administrative  
2365 Services shall include school building projects for the [technical high  
2366 schools] Technical Education and Career System on the list developed  
2367 pursuant to section 10-283, as amended by this act. The adoption of the  
2368 list by the General Assembly and authorization by the State Bond  
2369 Commission of the issuance of bonds pursuant to section 10-287d, as  
2370 amended by this act, shall fund the full cost of the projects. On or after  
2371 July 1, 2011, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in  
2372 consultation with the Commissioner of Education, may approve  
2373 applications for grants to assist school building projects for the

2374 [technical high school system] Technical Education and Career System  
2375 to remedy damage from fire and catastrophe, to correct safety, health  
2376 and other code violations, to replace roofs, to remedy a certified school  
2377 indoor air quality emergency, or to purchase and install portable  
2378 classroom buildings at any time within the limit of available grant  
2379 authorization and to make payments on such a project within the limit  
2380 of appropriated funds, provided portable classroom building projects  
2381 do not create a new facility or cause an existing facility to be modified  
2382 so that the portable buildings comprise a substantial percentage of the  
2383 total facility area, as determined by the Commissioner of  
2384 Administrative Services. Such projects shall be subject to the  
2385 requirements of chapters 59 and 60.

2386 Sec. 84. Subsection (a) of section 10-284 of the general statutes is  
2387 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2388 *1, 2017*):

2389 (a) The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have  
2390 authority to receive and review applications for state grants under this  
2391 chapter, and to approve any such application, or to disapprove any  
2392 such application if (1) it does not comply with the requirements of the  
2393 State Fire Marshal or the Department of Public Health, (2) it is not  
2394 accompanied by a life-cycle cost analysis approved by the  
2395 Commissioner of Administrative Services, (3) it does not comply with  
2396 the provisions of sections 10-290d and 10-291, (4) it does not meet (A)  
2397 the standards or requirements established in regulations adopted in  
2398 accordance with section 10-287c, or (B) school building categorization  
2399 requirements described in section 10-283, as amended by this act, (5)  
2400 the estimated construction cost exceeds the per square foot cost for  
2401 schools established in regulations adopted by the Commissioner of  
2402 Administrative Services for the county in which the project is proposed  
2403 to be located, (6) on and after July 1, 2014, the application does not  
2404 comply with the school safety infrastructure criteria developed by the  
2405 School Safety Infrastructure Council, pursuant to section 10-292r,  
2406 except the Commissioner of Administrative Services may waive any of  
2407 the provisions of the school safety infrastructure criteria if the

2408 commissioner determines that the application demonstrates that the  
2409 applicant has made a good faith effort to address such criteria and that  
2410 compliance with such criteria would be infeasible, unreasonable or  
2411 excessively expensive, or (7) the Commissioner of Education  
2412 determines that the proposed educational specifications for or theme  
2413 of the project for which the applicant requests a state grant duplicates a  
2414 program offered by a technical [high] education and career school or  
2415 an interdistrict magnet school in the same region.

2416 Sec. 85. Section 10-287d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2417 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2418 For the purposes of funding (1) grants to projects that have received  
2419 approval of the Department of Administrative Services pursuant to  
2420 sections 10-287 and 10-287a, subsection (a) of section 10-65 and section  
2421 10-76e, (2) grants to assist school building projects to remedy safety  
2422 and health violations and damage from fire and catastrophe, and (3)  
2423 technical [high] education and career school projects pursuant to  
2424 section 10-283b, as amended by this act, the State Treasurer is  
2425 authorized and directed, subject to and in accordance with the  
2426 provisions of section 3-20, to issue bonds of the state from time to time  
2427 in one or more series in an aggregate amount not exceeding eleven  
2428 billion two hundred sixteen million one hundred sixty thousand  
2429 dollars, provided five hundred sixty million dollars of said  
2430 authorization shall be effective July 1, 2016. Bonds of each series shall  
2431 bear such date or dates and mature at such time or times not exceeding  
2432 thirty years from their respective dates and be subject to such  
2433 redemption privileges, with or without premium, as may be fixed by  
2434 the State Bond Commission. They shall be sold at not less than par and  
2435 accrued interest and the full faith and credit of the state is pledged for  
2436 the payment of the interest thereon and the principal thereof as the  
2437 same shall become due, and accordingly and as part of the contract of  
2438 the state with the holders of said bonds, appropriation of all amounts  
2439 necessary for punctual payment of such principal and interest is  
2440 hereby made, and the State Treasurer shall pay such principal and  
2441 interest as the same become due. The State Treasurer is authorized to

2442 invest temporarily in direct obligations of the United States, United  
2443 States agency obligations, certificates of deposit, commercial paper or  
2444 bank acceptances such portion of the proceeds of such bonds or of any  
2445 notes issued in anticipation thereof as may be deemed available for  
2446 such purpose.

2447 Sec. 86. Section 10-357e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2448 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2449 The Commissioner of Education may allocate funds to allow the  
2450 State Education Resource Center, established pursuant to section 10-  
2451 357a, to provide professional development services, technical  
2452 assistance and evaluation activities, policy analysis and other forms of  
2453 assistance to local and regional boards of education, the Department of  
2454 Education, state and local charter schools, as defined in section 10-  
2455 66aa, the [technical high school system] Technical Education and  
2456 Career System, established pursuant to section 10-95, as amended by  
2457 this act, providers of school readiness programs, as defined in section  
2458 10-16p, and other educational entities and providers. The State  
2459 Education Resource Center shall expend such funds in accordance  
2460 with procedures and conditions prescribed by the commissioner.

2461 Sec. 87. Subsection (b) of section 10a-25b of the general statutes is  
2462 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2463 *1, 2017*):

2464 (b) The proceeds of the sale of said bonds, to the extent hereinafter  
2465 stated, shall be used to encourage, promote, develop and assist high  
2466 technology products and programs within Connecticut by infusion of  
2467 financial assistance in situations when such financial aid would not  
2468 otherwise reasonably be available from other sources as hereinafter  
2469 stated: (1) For the State Board of Education: High technology  
2470 equipment for programs in the technical [high] education and career  
2471 schools, not exceeding two million dollars; (2) for Connecticut  
2472 Innovations, Incorporated: (A) Matching funds for cooperative high  
2473 technology research and development projects and programs, not

2474 exceeding nine million dollars; (B) financial aid, as defined in  
2475 subdivision (4) of section 32-34, to public institutions of higher  
2476 education for high technology projects and programs, not exceeding  
2477 eleven million five hundred thousand dollars.

2478 Sec. 88. Section 10a-55e of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2479 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2480 Each technical [high] education and career school and public  
2481 institution of higher education shall develop, in such manner as the  
2482 Commissioner of Education and president of the Connecticut State  
2483 Colleges and Universities prescribe, agreements to share equipment  
2484 required for students participating in green jobs certificate or degree  
2485 programs or enrolled in a course of study concerning green jobs,  
2486 including, but not limited to, solar photovoltaic installation.

2487 Sec. 89. Section 10a-55g of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2488 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2489 The Board of Regents for Higher Education, in consultation with the  
2490 Department of Education, shall annually prepare and publish on the  
2491 Board of Regents for Higher Education's web site a list of every green  
2492 jobs course and green jobs certificate and degree program offered by  
2493 technical [high] education and career schools and public institutions of  
2494 higher education and an inventory of green jobs related equipment  
2495 used by such technical education and career schools and institutions of  
2496 higher education.

2497 Sec. 90. Section 10a-72d of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2498 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2499 The Board of Trustees for the Community-Technical Colleges shall  
2500 establish procedures for (1) the development of articulation  
2501 agreements between the regional community-technical colleges and  
2502 the [technical high schools] Technical Education and Career System in  
2503 order to ensure a successful transition to higher education for students  
2504 attending [the] a technical [high schools] education and career school,

2505 and (2) the awarding of appropriate college credit for persons enrolled  
2506 in and registered under the terms of a qualified apprenticeship  
2507 training program, certified in accordance with regulations adopted by  
2508 the Labor Commissioner and registered with the Connecticut State  
2509 Apprenticeship Council established under section 31-22n.

2510 Sec. 91. Subsection (b) of section 10a-123 of the general statutes is  
2511 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2512 *1, 2017*):

2513 (b) The purposes, objectives and duties of said center shall be as  
2514 follows: (1) To conduct studies in real estate and urban economics and  
2515 to publish and disseminate the findings and results of such studies; (2)  
2516 to assist the teaching program in real estate offered by The University  
2517 of Connecticut; (3) to supply material to the Connecticut Real Estate  
2518 Commission for the preparation by it of examinations for real estate  
2519 salespersons and brokers, if requested to do so by the commission; (4)  
2520 to develop and from time to time revise and update materials for use  
2521 in the extension courses in real estate offered by The University of  
2522 Connecticut; (5) to assist the Connecticut Real Estate Commission in  
2523 developing standards for the accreditation of technical [high]  
2524 education and career schools and other teaching agencies giving  
2525 courses in the field of real estate and standards for the approval of  
2526 courses in the field of real estate, as and when requested to do so by  
2527 the commission.

2528 Sec. 92. Subsection (a) of section 10a-166 of the general statutes is  
2529 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2530 *1, 2017*):

2531 (a) Any child between the ages of sixteen and twenty-three,  
2532 inclusive, of any person who served in the armed forces in time of war,  
2533 as defined in subsection (a) of section 27-103, and who was killed in  
2534 action or who died as a result of accident or illness sustained while  
2535 performing active military duty with the armed forces of the United  
2536 States or who has been rated totally and permanently disabled by the

2537 Veterans' Administration of the United States, or who is missing in  
2538 action in Vietnam, if such person was a resident of this state at the time  
2539 of his induction or reenlistment, shall receive, upon application to and  
2540 approval of such application therefor by the Board of Regents for  
2541 Higher Education, state aid for tuition, matriculation fees, board, room  
2542 rent, books and supplies for such child attending any of the following-  
2543 named institutions approved by said board: An educational or training  
2544 institution of college grade or any other institution of higher learning  
2545 or commercial training, a state college, a technical [high] education and  
2546 career school or technical institute or any accredited military  
2547 preparatory school if such beneficiary is preparing to enter the United  
2548 States Military Academy at West Point, the United States Naval  
2549 Academy at Annapolis, the United States Coast Guard Academy at  
2550 New London or the United States Air Force Academy at Colorado  
2551 Springs. The application submitted to the Board of Regents for Higher  
2552 Education shall include an affidavit signed by the applicant which  
2553 states that the applicant has not applied for and will not apply for or  
2554 receive state aid from another state which is similar to that provided  
2555 for in this section. Such grant may be used for the matriculation fees of  
2556 any such beneficiary at any of said United States government  
2557 academies. Such aid shall be based on need and shall not exceed four  
2558 hundred dollars per year for each beneficiary and shall be paid to such  
2559 institution on vouchers approved by the Board of Regents for Higher  
2560 Education.

2561 Sec. 93. Subsection (d) of section 14-36 of the general statutes is  
2562 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2563 *1, 2017*):

2564 (d) (1) No motor vehicle operator's license shall be issued to any  
2565 applicant who is sixteen or seventeen years of age unless the applicant  
2566 has held a youth instruction permit and has satisfied the requirements  
2567 specified in this subsection. The applicant shall (A) present to the  
2568 Commissioner of Motor Vehicles a certificate of the successful  
2569 completion (i) in a public secondary school, a [state] technical [high]  
2570 education and career school or a private secondary school of a full

2571 course of study in motor vehicle operation prepared as provided in  
2572 section 14-36e, (ii) of training of similar nature provided by a licensed  
2573 drivers' school approved by the commissioner, or (iii) of home training  
2574 in accordance with subdivision (2) of this subsection, including, in each  
2575 case, or by a combination of such types of training, successful  
2576 completion of: Not less than forty clock hours of behind-the-wheel, on-  
2577 the-road instruction for applicants to whom a youth instruction permit  
2578 is issued on or after August 1, 2008; (B) present to the commissioner a  
2579 certificate of the successful completion of a course of not less than eight  
2580 hours relative to safe driving practices, including a minimum of four  
2581 hours on the nature and the medical, biological and physiological  
2582 effects of alcohol and drugs and their impact on the operator of a  
2583 motor vehicle, the dangers associated with the operation of a motor  
2584 vehicle after the consumption of alcohol or drugs by the operator, the  
2585 problems of alcohol and drug abuse and the penalties for alcohol and  
2586 drug-related motor vehicle violations; and (C) pass an examination  
2587 which may include a comprehensive test as to knowledge of the laws  
2588 concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the road in addition to the  
2589 test required under subsection (c) of this section and shall include an  
2590 on-the-road skills test as prescribed by the commissioner. At the time  
2591 of application and examination for a motor vehicle operator's license,  
2592 an applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age shall have held a youth  
2593 instruction permit for not less than one hundred eighty days, except  
2594 that an applicant who presents a certificate under subparagraph (A)(i)  
2595 or subparagraph (A)(ii) of this subdivision shall have held a youth  
2596 instruction permit for not less than one hundred twenty days and an  
2597 applicant who is undergoing training and instruction by the driver  
2598 training unit for persons with disabilities in accordance with the  
2599 provisions of section 14-11b shall have held such permit for the period  
2600 of time required by said unit. The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles  
2601 shall approve the content of the safe driving instruction at drivers'  
2602 schools, high schools and other secondary schools. Subject to such  
2603 standards and requirements as the commissioner may impose, the  
2604 commissioner may authorize any drivers' school, licensed in good  
2605 standing in accordance with the provisions of section 14-69, or

2606 secondary school driver education program authorized pursuant to the  
2607 provisions of section 14-36e, to administer the comprehensive test as to  
2608 knowledge of the laws concerning motor vehicles and the rules of the  
2609 road, required pursuant to subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, as  
2610 part of the safe driving practices course required pursuant to  
2611 subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, and to certify to the  
2612 commissioner, under oath, the results of each such test administered.  
2613 Such hours of instruction required by this subdivision shall be  
2614 included as part of or in addition to any existing instruction programs.  
2615 Any fee charged for the course required under subparagraph (B) of  
2616 this subdivision shall not exceed one hundred fifty dollars. Any  
2617 applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age who, while a resident of  
2618 another state, completed the course required in subparagraph (A) of  
2619 this subdivision, but did not complete the safe driving course required  
2620 in subparagraph (B) of this subdivision, shall complete the safe driving  
2621 course. The commissioner may waive any requirement in this  
2622 subdivision, except for that in subparagraph (C) of this subdivision, in  
2623 the case of an applicant sixteen or seventeen years of age who holds a  
2624 valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by any other state,  
2625 provided the commissioner is satisfied that the applicant has received  
2626 training and instruction of a similar nature.

2627 (2) The commissioner may accept as evidence of sufficient training  
2628 under subparagraph (A) of subdivision (1) of this subsection home  
2629 training as evidenced by a written statement signed by the spouse of a  
2630 married minor applicant, or by a parent, grandparent, foster parent or  
2631 legal guardian of an applicant which states that the applicant has  
2632 obtained a youth instruction permit and has successfully completed a  
2633 driving course taught by the person signing the statement, that the  
2634 signer has had an operator's license for at least four years preceding  
2635 the date of the statement, and that the signer has not had such license  
2636 suspended by the commissioner for at least four years preceding the  
2637 date of the statement or, if the applicant has no spouse, parent,  
2638 grandparent, foster parent or guardian so qualified and available to  
2639 give the instruction, a statement signed by the applicant's stepparent,

2640 brother, sister, uncle or aunt, by blood or marriage, provided the  
2641 person signing the statement is qualified.

2642 (3) If the commissioner requires a written test of any applicant  
2643 under this section, the test shall be given in English or Spanish at the  
2644 option of the applicant, provided the commissioner shall require that  
2645 the applicant shall have sufficient understanding of English for the  
2646 interpretation of traffic control signs.

2647 (4) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles may adopt regulations, in  
2648 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to implement the  
2649 purposes of this subsection concerning the requirements for behind-  
2650 the-wheel, on-the-road instruction, the content of safe driving  
2651 instruction at drivers' schools, high schools and other secondary  
2652 schools, and the administration and certification of required testing.

2653 Sec. 94. Subsection (a) of section 14-37a of the general statutes is  
2654 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2655 *1, 2017*):

2656 (a) Any person whose operator's license has been suspended  
2657 pursuant to any provision of this chapter or chapter 248, except  
2658 pursuant to section 14-215 for operating under suspension or pursuant  
2659 to section 14-140 for failure to appear for any scheduled court  
2660 appearance, and any person identified in subsection (g) of this section  
2661 may make application to the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles for (1) a  
2662 special "work" permit to operate a motor vehicle to and from such  
2663 person's place of employment or, if such person is not employed at a  
2664 fixed location, to operate a motor vehicle only in connection with, and  
2665 to the extent necessary, to properly perform such person's business or  
2666 profession, (2) a special "education" permit to operate a motor vehicle  
2667 to and from an institution of higher education or a private  
2668 occupational school, as defined in section 10a-22a, in which such  
2669 person is enrolled, provided no such special "education" permit shall  
2670 be issued to any student enrolled in a high school under the  
2671 jurisdiction of a local or regional board of education, a high school

2672 under the jurisdiction of a regional educational service center, a charter  
2673 school, a regional agricultural science and technology education center  
2674 or a technical [high] education and career school, or (3) a special  
2675 "medical" permit to operate a motor vehicle to and from any ongoing  
2676 medically necessary treatment, available upon adoption by the  
2677 commissioner of regulations pursuant to chapter 54, that describe  
2678 qualifications for such permit. Such application shall be accompanied  
2679 by an application fee of one hundred dollars.

2680 Sec. 95. Subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a of the  
2681 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2682 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2683 (a) (1) Any mandated reporter, as described in section 17a-101, who  
2684 in the ordinary course of such person's employment or profession has  
2685 reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any child under the age of  
2686 eighteen years (A) has been abused or neglected, as described in  
2687 section 46b-120, (B) has had nonaccidental physical injury, or injury  
2688 which is at variance with the history given of such injury, inflicted  
2689 upon such child, or (C) is placed at imminent risk of serious harm, or  
2690 (2) any school employee, as defined in section 53a-65, who in the  
2691 ordinary course of such person's employment or profession has  
2692 reasonable cause to suspect or believe that any person who is being  
2693 educated by the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
2694 and Career System or a local or regional board of education, other than  
2695 as part of an adult education program, is a victim under the provisions  
2696 of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, and the  
2697 perpetrator is a school employee shall report or cause a report to be  
2698 made in accordance with the provisions of sections 17a-101b to 17a-  
2699 101d, inclusive.

2700 Sec. 96. Subdivision (2) of subsection (b) of section 17a-101a of the  
2701 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2702 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2703 (2) Any person who intentionally and unreasonably interferes with

2704 or prevents the making of a report pursuant to this section, or attempts  
2705 or conspires to do so, shall be guilty of a class D felony. The provisions  
2706 of this subdivision shall not apply to any child under the age of  
2707 eighteen years or any person who is being educated by the [technical  
2708 high school system] Technical Education and Career System or a local  
2709 or regional board of education, other than as part of an adult education  
2710 program.

2711 Sec. 97. Subsection (a) of section 17a-101i of the general statutes is  
2712 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2713 *1, 2017*):

2714 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, not later  
2715 than five working days after an investigation of a report that a child  
2716 has been abused or neglected by a school employee, as defined in  
2717 section 53a-65, or that a person is a victim, as described in subdivision  
2718 (2) of subsection (a) of section 17a-101a, of a school employee has been  
2719 completed, the Commissioner of Children and Families shall notify the  
2720 employing superintendent and the Commissioner of Education of the  
2721 results of such investigation and shall provide records, whether or not  
2722 created by the department, concerning such investigation to the  
2723 superintendent and the Commissioner of Education. The  
2724 Commissioner of Children and Families shall provide such notice  
2725 whether or not the child or victim was a student in the employing  
2726 school or school district. If the Commissioner of Children and Families,  
2727 based upon the results of the investigation, has reasonable cause to  
2728 believe that (1) (A) a child has been abused or neglected, as described  
2729 in section 46b-120, by such employee, and (B) the commissioner  
2730 recommends such school employee be placed on the child abuse and  
2731 neglect registry established pursuant to section 17a-101k, or (2) a  
2732 person is a victim, as described in subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of  
2733 section 17a-101a, of such school employee, the superintendent shall  
2734 suspend such school employee. Such suspension shall be with pay and  
2735 shall not result in the diminution or termination of benefits to such  
2736 employee. Not later than seventy-two hours after such suspension the  
2737 superintendent shall notify the local or regional board of education

2738 and the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's  
2739 representative, of the reasons for and conditions of the suspension. The  
2740 superintendent shall disclose such records to the Commissioner of  
2741 Education and the local or regional board of education or its attorney  
2742 for purposes of review of employment status or the status of such  
2743 employee's certificate, permit or authorization. The suspension of a  
2744 school employee employed in a position requiring a certificate shall  
2745 remain in effect until the board of education acts pursuant to the  
2746 provisions of section 10-151. If the contract of employment of such  
2747 certified school employee is terminated, or such certified school  
2748 employee resigns such employment, the superintendent shall notify  
2749 the Commissioner of Education, or the commissioner's representative,  
2750 within seventy-two hours after such termination or resignation. Upon  
2751 receipt of such notice from the superintendent, the Commissioner of  
2752 Education may commence certification revocation proceedings  
2753 pursuant to the provisions of subsection (i) of section 10-145b.  
2754 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 1-210 and 1-211,  
2755 information received by the Commissioner of Education, or the  
2756 commissioner's representative, pursuant to this section shall be  
2757 confidential subject to regulations adopted by the State Board of  
2758 Education under section 10-145g. No local or regional board of  
2759 education shall employ a person whose employment contract is  
2760 terminated or who resigned from employment following a suspension  
2761 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection if such person is  
2762 convicted of a crime involving an act of child abuse or neglect as  
2763 described in section 46b-120 or a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a,  
2764 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a against any person who is being  
2765 educated by the [technical high school system] Technical Education  
2766 and Career System or a local or regional board of education, other than  
2767 as part of an adult education program.

2768 Sec. 98. Section 17b-610 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2769 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2770 The Department of Social Services, as lead agency for persons with  
2771 mental and physical disabilities pursuant to section 17b-606, shall, in

2772 conjunction with the Labor Department, provide ongoing assessment  
2773 of the needs of the business community and the ways persons with  
2774 disabilities could fill such needs and shall assess skills needed by  
2775 businesses, necessary training, available jobs, specific work sites and  
2776 the programs offered by [technical high schools] the Technical  
2777 Education and Career System and comprehensive high schools. The  
2778 Department of Social Services shall report its progress on or before  
2779 January 15, 1990, and annually thereafter, to the committee of the  
2780 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human  
2781 services.

2782 Sec. 99. Subsection (b) of section 17b-688i of the general statutes is  
2783 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2784 *1, 2017*):

2785 (b) The Labor Department shall be responsible for the  
2786 administration of employment services to recipients of temporary  
2787 family assistance under the employment services program,  
2788 administered by the Department of Social Services pursuant to section  
2789 17b-688c. The employment services provided by the Labor Department  
2790 shall include appropriate basic education and occupational skills  
2791 training combined with subsidized or unsubsidized work experience  
2792 and employment, as deemed appropriate by the Labor Department,  
2793 and any other programs or services deemed appropriate by the Labor  
2794 Department, to the extent permitted under state and federal law,  
2795 including, but not limited to, the following: (1) Employment; (2) work-  
2796 study, internship or apprenticeship opportunities; (3) adult skills  
2797 training, including literacy, mathematics and language proficiency  
2798 with curriculum related to job opportunities and job search skills; (4)  
2799 occupational skills training; (5) case management and counseling in  
2800 successful work skills; (6) enrollment at a public or independent  
2801 institution of higher education; and (7) access to state-subsidized child  
2802 care and transportation, where needed. Services may be provided by  
2803 existing service providers, including, but not limited to, local or  
2804 regional boards of education or regional educational service centers  
2805 that offer adult education programs, community-technical colleges,

2806 [technical high schools] the Technical Education and Career System  
2807 and public and independent institutions of higher education.

2808 Sec. 100. Subsection (a) of section 20-90 of the general statutes is  
2809 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2810 *1, 2017*):

2811 (a) Said board may adopt a seal. The Commissioner of Public  
2812 Health, with advice and assistance from the board, and in consultation  
2813 with the State Board of Education, shall adopt regulations, in  
2814 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, permitting and setting  
2815 standards for courses for the training of practical nurses to be offered  
2816 in high schools [and technical high schools] or by the Technical  
2817 Education and Career System for students who have not yet acquired a  
2818 high school diploma. Students who satisfactorily complete courses  
2819 approved by said Board of Examiners for Nursing, with the consent of  
2820 the Commissioner of Public Health, as meeting such standards shall be  
2821 given credit for each such course toward the requirements for a  
2822 practical nurse's license. All schools of nursing in this state, except  
2823 such schools accredited by the National League for Nursing or other  
2824 professional accrediting association approved by the United States  
2825 Department of Education and recognized by the Commissioner of  
2826 Public Health, and all schools for training licensed practical nurses and  
2827 all hospitals connected to such schools that prepare persons for  
2828 examination under the provisions of this chapter, shall be visited  
2829 periodically by a representative of the Department of Public Health  
2830 who shall be a registered nurse or a person experienced in the field of  
2831 nursing education. The board shall keep a list of all nursing programs  
2832 and all programs for training licensed practical nurses that are  
2833 approved by it, with the consent of the Commissioner of Public Health,  
2834 as maintaining the standard for the education of nurses and the  
2835 training of licensed practical nurses as established by the  
2836 commissioner. The board shall consult, where possible, with nationally  
2837 recognized accrediting agencies when approving schools.

2838 Sec. 101. Section 31-3c of the general statutes is repealed and the

2839 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2840 The Labor Commissioner, with the approval of the Commissioners  
2841 of Economic and Community Development and Education, shall  
2842 establish a customized job training program for preemployment and  
2843 postemployment job training for the purpose of meeting the labor  
2844 requirements of manufacturing or economic base businesses, as  
2845 defined in subsection (l) of section 32-222, and shall implement such  
2846 job training program. Such job training program shall include training  
2847 designed to increase the basic skills of employees, including, but not  
2848 limited to, training in written and oral communication, mathematics or  
2849 science, or training in technical and technological skills. The Labor  
2850 Commissioner shall use funds appropriated to the Labor Department  
2851 for vocational and manpower training in carrying out such job training  
2852 program, except that not more than four per cent of such funds may be  
2853 used to pay the cost of its administration. Upon receipt of a request for  
2854 job training pursuant to this section, the Labor Commissioner shall  
2855 notify the president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities,  
2856 or his or her designee, of such request. The president, or his or her  
2857 designee, shall determine if a training program exists or can be  
2858 designed at a regional community-technical college to meet such  
2859 training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of such  
2860 determination. The Labor Commissioner shall, to the extent possible,  
2861 make arrangements for the participation of the regional  
2862 community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University  
2863 System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary  
2864 institutions, adult education programs, opportunities industrialization  
2865 centers and [state technical high schools] the Technical Education and  
2866 Career System in implementing the program. Nothing in this section  
2867 shall preclude the Labor Commissioner from considering or choosing  
2868 other providers to meet such training need. Nothing in this section  
2869 shall preclude an employer from considering or choosing other  
2870 providers to meet the training needs of such employer, provided the  
2871 Labor Commissioner approves such employer's use of such other  
2872 providers. For the period from July 1, 1996, to June 30, 1999, the Labor

2873 Commissioner, or his or her designee, the chancellor of the  
2874 community-technical colleges and the chairpersons of the joint  
2875 standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
2876 matters relating to education shall meet semiannually to review  
2877 actions taken pursuant to this section and section 32-6j, as amended by  
2878 this act.

2879 Sec. 102. Subdivision (8) of subsection (b) of section 31-3h of the  
2880 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2881 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2882 (8) Developing a strategy for providing comprehensive services to  
2883 eligible youths, which strategy shall include developing youth  
2884 preapprentice and apprentice programs through, but not limited to,  
2885 technical [high] education and career schools, and improving linkages  
2886 between academic and occupational learning and other youth  
2887 development activities; and

2888 Sec. 103. Subdivision (5) of subsection (b) of section 31-3k of the  
2889 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2890 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2891 (5) Establish a worker training education committee comprised of  
2892 persons from the education and business communities within the  
2893 region, including, but not limited to, regional community-technical  
2894 colleges and technical [high] education and career schools.

2895 Sec. 104. Subdivision (12) of subsection (b) of section 31-11p of the  
2896 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
2897 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2898 (12) Identification of core services available under the one-stop  
2899 delivery system, which shall, at a minimum, include: (A)  
2900 Determination of whether individuals are eligible to receive assistance  
2901 under Subtitle B of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity  
2902 Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended; (B) outreach,  
2903 intake and orientation to the information and other services available

2904 through the one-stop delivery system; (C) a uniform assessment  
2905 procedure for screening adults and dislocated workers which shall  
2906 include, but not be limited to, initial assessment of skill levels,  
2907 aptitudes, abilities, supportive service needs and for application of the  
2908 self-sufficiency measurement developed in accordance with the  
2909 provisions of section 4-66e; (D) job search and placement assistance  
2910 and, where appropriate, career counseling; (E) provision of (i)  
2911 employment statistics information, including the provision of accurate  
2912 information concerning local, regional and national labor market areas,  
2913 including job vacancy listings in such labor market areas, information  
2914 on job skills necessary to obtain such vacant jobs and information  
2915 relating to local occupations in demand and the earnings and skill  
2916 requirements for such occupations; (ii) provider performance  
2917 information and program cost information on eligible providers of  
2918 training services, as described in Section 122 of the federal Workforce  
2919 Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to  
2920 time amended, provided by program, and eligible providers of youth  
2921 activities described in Section 123 of said act, eligible providers of  
2922 adult education described in Title II of said act, providers of  
2923 postsecondary vocational education activities and vocational  
2924 education activities, which shall include, but not be limited to,  
2925 preapprentice programs available through, but not limited to,  
2926 [technical high schools] the Technical Education and Career System,  
2927 available to school dropouts under the Carl D. Perkins Vocational and  
2928 Applied Technology Education Act, 20 USC 2301, et seq., and  
2929 providers of vocational rehabilitation program activities described in  
2930 Title I of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 USC 720, et seq.; (iii)  
2931 information regarding how the local area is performing on the local  
2932 performance measures and any additional performance information  
2933 with respect to the one-stop delivery system in the local area; (iv)  
2934 accurate information concerning the availability of supportive services,  
2935 including child care and transportation, available through the local  
2936 area and referral to such services, as appropriate; (v) information  
2937 regarding filing claims for unemployment compensation under  
2938 chapter 567; (F) assistance in establishing eligibility for programs of

2939 financial aid assistance for training and education programs that are  
2940 not funded under said act and are available through the local area; (G)  
2941 follow-up services, including counseling regarding the workplace, for  
2942 participants in workforce investment activities authorized under  
2943 Subtitle B of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of  
2944 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended, who are placed in  
2945 unsubsidized employment, for not less than twelve months after the  
2946 first day of the employment, as appropriate; and (H) assistance in  
2947 establishing eligibility for authorized activities under Section 403(a)(5)  
2948 of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 5001 of the Balanced  
2949 Budget Act of 1997, available in the local area. For purposes of this  
2950 subdivision, "local area" refers to an area designated as such pursuant  
2951 to Section 116 of the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity  
2952 Act of 2014, P.L. 113-128, as from time to time amended;

2953 Sec. 105. Subsection (c) of section 31-23 of the general statutes is  
2954 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
2955 *1, 2017*):

2956 (c) No minor under the age of eighteen years shall be employed or  
2957 permitted to work in any occupation which has been or shall be  
2958 pronounced hazardous to health by the Department of Public Health  
2959 or pronounced hazardous in other respects by the Labor Department.  
2960 This section shall not apply to (1) the employment or enrollment of  
2961 minors sixteen years of age and over as apprentices in bona fide  
2962 apprenticeship courses in manufacturing or mechanical  
2963 establishments, technical [high] education and career schools or public  
2964 schools, (2) the employment of such minors who have graduated from  
2965 a public or private secondary or technical [high] education and career  
2966 school in any manufacturing or mechanical establishment, (3) the  
2967 employment of such minors who are participating in a manufacturing  
2968 or mechanical internship in any manufacturing or mechanical  
2969 establishment, or (4) the enrollment of such minors in a cooperative  
2970 work-study program approved by the Commissioner of Education and  
2971 the Labor Commissioner or in a program established pursuant to  
2972 section 10-20a, as amended by this act. No provision of this section

2973 shall apply to agricultural employment, domestic service, street trades  
2974 or the distribution of newspapers. For purposes of this subsection, (A)  
2975 "internship" means supervised practical training of a high school  
2976 student or recent high school graduate that is comprised of curriculum  
2977 and workplace standards approved by the Department of Education  
2978 and the Labor Department, and (B) "cooperative work-study program"  
2979 means a program of vocational education, approved by the  
2980 Commissioner of Education and the Labor Commissioner, for persons  
2981 who, through a cooperative arrangement between the school and  
2982 employers, receive instruction, including required academic courses  
2983 and related vocational instruction by alternation of study in school  
2984 with a job in any occupational field, provided these two experiences  
2985 are planned and supervised by the school and employers so that each  
2986 contributes to the student's education and to his employability. Work  
2987 periods and school attendance may be on alternate half days, full days,  
2988 weeks or other periods of time in fulfilling the cooperative work-study  
2989 program.

2990 Sec. 106. Section 31-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2991 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

2992 Except in [state] technical [high] education and career schools or in  
2993 public schools teaching manual training, no child under sixteen years  
2994 of age shall be employed or permitted to work in adjusting or assisting  
2995 in adjusting any belt upon any machine, or in oiling or assisting in  
2996 oiling, wiping or cleaning machinery, while power is attached, or in  
2997 preparing any composition in which dangerous acids are used, or in  
2998 soldering, or in the manufacture or packing of paints, dry colors or red  
2999 or white lead, or in the manufacture, packing or storing of gun or  
3000 blasting powder, dynamite, nitroglycerine compounds, safety fuses in  
3001 the raw or unvarnished state, electric fuses for blasting purposes or  
3002 any other explosive, or in the manufacture or use of any dangerous or  
3003 poisonous gas or dye, or composition of lye in which the quantity  
3004 thereof is injurious to health, or upon any scaffolding, or in any heavy  
3005 work in any building trade or in any tunnel, mine or quarry, or in  
3006 operating or assisting to operate any emery, stone or buffing wheel;

3007 and, except as otherwise provided in subsection (b) of section 31-23, no  
3008 child under sixteen years of age shall be employed or permitted to  
3009 work in any capacity requiring such child to stand continuously.

3010 Sec. 107. Subdivision (8) of section 31-51ww of the general statutes is  
3011 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3012 *1, 2017*):

3013 (8) "Education" means (A) a postsecondary program of instruction  
3014 provided by a college, university, community college, [area technical  
3015 high school] the Technical Education and Career System, professional  
3016 institution or specialized college or school legally authorized to grant  
3017 degrees, or (B) any related educational program approved by the  
3018 community-based organization and the department;

3019 Sec. 108. Section 32-4i of the general statutes are repealed and the  
3020 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3021 (a) The Commissioner of Economic and Community Development,  
3022 in consultation with the Commissioner of Revenue Services and the  
3023 president of the Connecticut State Colleges and Universities, may  
3024 establish the Learn Here, Live Here program. Such program may  
3025 provide an incentive for graduates of a public institution of higher  
3026 education, private university or college, or health care training school  
3027 in this state, or graduates from a technical [high] education and career  
3028 school, to buy a first home in the state. Persons who graduate on or  
3029 after January 1, 2014, from such institutions, universities, colleges or  
3030 schools may have their income tax liability, up to a maximum of two  
3031 thousand five hundred dollars annually, segregated into the  
3032 Connecticut first-time homebuyers account established pursuant to  
3033 section 32-4j, provided not more than one million dollars from all  
3034 program participants may be so segregated in any calendar year. After  
3035 a period not exceeding ten years after graduation, any amounts so  
3036 segregated may be withdrawn by a participant for the purchase of a  
3037 first home in the state. The Commissioner of Economic and  
3038 Community Development may make payments in accordance with

3039 this section from said fund to the participants. For the purposes of this  
3040 section, "health care training school" means a medical or dental school,  
3041 chiropractic college, school or college of optometry, school or college of  
3042 chiropody or podiatry, school of occupational therapy, hospital-based  
3043 occupational school, school or college of naturopathy, school of dental  
3044 hygiene, school of physical therapy or any other school or institution  
3045 giving instruction in the healing arts.

3046 (b) (1) After a period not exceeding ten years after the date of  
3047 graduation, a participant in the program established pursuant to  
3048 subsection (a) of this section may apply to the Commissioner of  
3049 Economic and Community Development for a payment to be issued,  
3050 on behalf of such participant, and used as the down payment on a  
3051 house, which must be the first house such participant has bought,  
3052 either singly or jointly. Such payment may be in an amount equal to  
3053 the amount of segregated funds deposited on behalf of such  
3054 participant. If the payment is less than such amount, any excess  
3055 amount shall be deposited in the General Fund.

3056 (2) If a participant ceases to live in the state at any time up to one  
3057 year after such date, such participant shall repay one hundred per cent  
3058 of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases to live in the state at any  
3059 time up to two years after such date, such participant shall repay  
3060 eighty per cent of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases to live in  
3061 the state at any time up to three years after such date, such participant  
3062 shall repay sixty per cent of the amount paid out. If a participant ceases  
3063 to live in the state at any time up to four years after such date, such  
3064 participant shall repay forty per cent of the amount paid out. If a  
3065 participant ceases to live in the state at any time up to five years after  
3066 such date, such participant shall repay twenty per cent of the amount  
3067 paid out. After five years, there is no repayment obligation. Any  
3068 amounts repaid under this subdivision shall be deposited in the  
3069 General Fund.

3070 (c) On or before December 1, 2012, the Commissioner of Economic  
3071 and Community Development may develop, within available

3072 appropriations, a comprehensive public education program to educate  
3073 recent graduates of a public institution of higher education, private  
3074 university or college, or health care training school in the state, or of a  
3075 technical [high] education and career school, about the program  
3076 established under this section for first-time home buyers. The public  
3077 education program shall include, but not be limited to, information  
3078 concerning life-time savings plans and information on the purchase of  
3079 a home. If the commissioner develops such public education program,  
3080 the department shall begin to implement such program not later than  
3081 January 1, 2014.

3082 Sec. 109. Section 32-6j of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3083 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3084 In the assessment and provision of job training for employers, the  
3085 Commissioner of Economic and Community Development and the  
3086 chief executive officer of Connecticut Innovations, Incorporated shall  
3087 request the assistance of the Labor Commissioner. Upon receipt of a  
3088 request for job training pursuant to this section, the Labor  
3089 Commissioner shall notify the president of the Connecticut State  
3090 Colleges and Universities, or his or her designee, of such request. The  
3091 president, or his or her designee, shall determine if a training program  
3092 exists or can be designed at a regional community-technical college to  
3093 meet such training need and shall notify the Labor Commissioner of  
3094 such determination. The Labor Commissioner shall to the extent  
3095 possible make arrangements for the participation of the regional  
3096 community-technical colleges, the Connecticut State University  
3097 System, other institutions of higher education, other postsecondary  
3098 institutions, adult education programs and [state technical high  
3099 schools] the Technical Education and Career System in implementing  
3100 the program. Nothing in this section shall preclude the Labor  
3101 Commissioner from considering or choosing other providers to meet  
3102 such training need.

3103 Sec. 110. Subdivision (12) of section 32-475 of the general statutes is  
3104 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*

3105 1, 2017):

3106 (12) Participate in a Connecticut career certificate program  
3107 established by a local or regional board of education, [technical high  
3108 school] the Technical Education and Career System or regional  
3109 education service center and approved by the Commissioner of  
3110 Education and the Labor Commissioner.

3111 Sec. 111. Section 38a-682 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3112 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3113 If any insurance company licensed to do business in this state  
3114 allows a rate credit or deviation in motor vehicle insurance premium  
3115 charges for persons successfully completing a full course of study of  
3116 motor vehicle operation in a public secondary school, a [state]  
3117 technical [high] education and career school or a private secondary  
3118 school, as approved by the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles in  
3119 accordance with the provisions of section 14-36e, or training of a  
3120 similar nature provided by a licensed drivers' school approved by said  
3121 commissioner, including, in each case, successful completion of the  
3122 required number of hours of classroom instruction and behind-the-  
3123 wheel, on-the-road instruction, then such insurance company shall  
3124 give equal credit or deviation to all such persons.

3125 Sec. 112. Subdivision (3) of subsection (h) of section 46b-15 of the  
3126 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3127 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3128 (3) Upon the granting of an ex parte order, the clerk of the court  
3129 shall provide two copies of the order to the applicant. Upon the  
3130 granting of an order after notice and hearing, the clerk of the court  
3131 shall provide two copies of the order to the applicant and a copy to the  
3132 respondent. Every order of the court made in accordance with this  
3133 section after notice and hearing shall be accompanied by a notification  
3134 that is consistent with the full faith and credit provisions set forth in 18  
3135 USC 2265(a), as amended from time to time. Immediately after making  
3136 service on the respondent, the proper officer shall (A) send or cause to

3137 be sent, by facsimile or other means, a copy of the application, or the  
3138 information contained in such application, stating the date and time  
3139 the respondent was served, to the law enforcement agency or agencies  
3140 for the town in which the applicant resides, the town in which the  
3141 applicant is employed and the town in which the respondent resides,  
3142 and (B) as soon as possible, but not later than two hours after the time  
3143 that service is executed, input into the Judicial Branch's Internet-based  
3144 service tracking system the date, time and method of service. If, prior  
3145 to the date of the scheduled hearing, service has not been executed, the  
3146 proper officer shall input into such service tracking system that service  
3147 was unsuccessful. The clerk of the court shall send, by facsimile or  
3148 other means, a copy of any ex parte order and of any order after notice  
3149 and hearing, or the information contained in any such order, to the law  
3150 enforcement agency or agencies for the town in which the applicant  
3151 resides, the town in which the applicant is employed and the town in  
3152 which the respondent resides, within forty-eight hours of the issuance  
3153 of such order. If the victim is enrolled in a public or private elementary  
3154 or secondary school, including a technical [high] education and career  
3155 school, or an institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-  
3156 55, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request of the victim, send, by  
3157 facsimile or other means, a copy of such ex parte order or of any order  
3158 after notice and hearing, or the information contained in any such  
3159 order, to such school or institution of higher education, the president  
3160 of any institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled  
3161 and the special police force established pursuant to section 10a-156b, if  
3162 any, at the institution of higher education at which the victim is  
3163 enrolled.

3164 Sec. 113. Subsection (d) of section 46b-16a of the general statutes is  
3165 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3166 *1, 2017*):

3167 (d) The applicant shall cause notice of the hearing pursuant to  
3168 subsection (b) of this section and a copy of the application and the  
3169 applicant's affidavit and of any ex parte order issued pursuant to  
3170 subsection (b) of this section to be served by a proper officer on the

3171 respondent not less than five days before the hearing. The cost of such  
3172 service shall be paid for by the Judicial Branch. Upon the granting of  
3173 an ex parte order, the clerk of the court shall provide two copies of the  
3174 order to the applicant. Upon the granting of an order after notice and  
3175 hearing, the clerk of the court shall provide two copies of the order to  
3176 the applicant and a copy to the respondent. Every order of the court  
3177 made in accordance with this section after notice and hearing shall be  
3178 accompanied by a notification that is consistent with the full faith and  
3179 credit provisions set forth in 18 USC 2265(a), as amended from time to  
3180 time. Immediately after making service on the respondent, the proper  
3181 officer shall (1) send or cause to be sent, by facsimile or other means, a  
3182 copy of the application, or the information contained in such  
3183 application, stating the date and time the respondent was served, to  
3184 the law enforcement agency or agencies for the town in which the  
3185 applicant resides, the town in which the applicant is employed and the  
3186 town in which the respondent resides, and (2) as soon as possible, but  
3187 not later than two hours after the time that service is executed, input  
3188 into the Judicial Branch's Internet-based service tracking system the  
3189 date, time and method of service. If, prior to the date of the scheduled  
3190 hearing, service has not been executed, the proper officer shall input  
3191 into such service tracking system that service was unsuccessful. The  
3192 clerk of the court shall send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of any  
3193 ex parte order and of any order after notice and hearing, or the  
3194 information contained in any such order, to the law enforcement  
3195 agency or agencies for the town in which the applicant resides, the  
3196 town in which the applicant is employed and the town in which the  
3197 respondent resides, not later than forty-eight hours after the issuance  
3198 of such order, and immediately to the Commissioner of Emergency  
3199 Services and Public Protection. If the applicant is enrolled in a public  
3200 or private elementary or secondary school, including a technical [high]  
3201 education and career school, or an institution of higher education, as  
3202 defined in section 10a-55, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request  
3203 of the applicant, send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of such ex  
3204 parte order or of any order after notice and hearing, or the information  
3205 contained in any such order, to such school or institution of higher

3206 education, the president of any institution of higher education at  
3207 which the applicant is enrolled and the special police force established  
3208 pursuant to section 10a-142, if any, at the institution of higher  
3209 education at which the applicant is enrolled.

3210 Sec. 114. Subsection (d) of section 46b-38c of the general statutes is  
3211 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3212 *1, 2017*):

3213 (d) In all cases of family violence, a written or oral report that  
3214 indicates whether the parties in the family violence case are parties to a  
3215 case pending on the family relations docket of the Superior Court and  
3216 includes recommendation of the local family violence intervention unit  
3217 shall be available to a judge at the first court date appearance to be  
3218 presented at any time during the court session on that date. A judge of  
3219 the Superior Court may consider and impose the following conditions  
3220 to protect the parties, including, but not limited to: (1) Issuance of a  
3221 protective order pursuant to subsection (e) of this section; (2)  
3222 prohibition against subjecting the victim to further violence; (3) referral  
3223 to a family violence education program for persons who commit acts  
3224 of family violence; and (4) immediate referral for more extensive case  
3225 assessment. Such protective order shall be an order of the court, and  
3226 the clerk of the court shall cause (A) a copy of such order to be sent to  
3227 the victim, and (B) a copy of such order, or the information contained  
3228 in such order, to be sent by facsimile or other means within forty-eight  
3229 hours of its issuance to the law enforcement agency for the town in  
3230 which the victim resides and, if the defendant resides in a town  
3231 different from the town in which the victim resides, to the law  
3232 enforcement agency for the town in which the defendant resides. If the  
3233 victim is employed in a town different from the town in which the  
3234 victim resides, the clerk of the court shall, upon the request of the  
3235 victim, send, by facsimile or other means, a copy of such order, or the  
3236 information contained in such order, to the law enforcement agency  
3237 for the town in which the victim is employed not later than forty-eight  
3238 hours after the issuance of such order. If the victim is enrolled in a  
3239 public or private elementary or secondary school, including a technical

3240 [high] education and career school, or an institution of higher  
3241 education, as defined in section 10a-55, the clerk of the court shall,  
3242 upon the request of the victim, send, by facsimile or other means, a  
3243 copy of such order, or the information contained in such order, to such  
3244 school or institution of higher education, the president of any  
3245 institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled and the  
3246 special police force established pursuant to section 10a-156b, if any, at  
3247 the institution of higher education at which the victim is enrolled.

3248 Sec. 115. Subdivision (4) of subsection (j) of section 46b-129 of the  
3249 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu  
3250 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3251 (4) The commissioner shall be the guardian of such child or youth  
3252 for the duration of the commitment, provided the child or youth has  
3253 not reached the age of eighteen years, or until another guardian has  
3254 been legally appointed, and in like manner, upon such vesting of the  
3255 care of such child or youth, such other public or private agency or  
3256 individual shall be the guardian of such child or youth until such child  
3257 or youth has reached the age of eighteen years or, in the case of a child  
3258 or youth in full-time attendance in a secondary school, a technical  
3259 [high] education and career school, a college or a state-accredited job  
3260 training program, until such child or youth has reached the age of  
3261 twenty-one years or until another guardian has been legally appointed.  
3262 The commissioner may place any child or youth so committed to the  
3263 commissioner in a suitable foster home or in the home of a fictive kin  
3264 caregiver, relative caregiver, or in a licensed child-caring institution or  
3265 in the care and custody of any accredited, licensed or approved child-  
3266 caring agency, within or without the state, provided a child shall not  
3267 be placed outside the state except for good cause and unless the  
3268 parents or guardian of such child are notified in advance of such  
3269 placement and given an opportunity to be heard, or in a receiving  
3270 home maintained and operated by the Commissioner of Children and  
3271 Families. In placing such child or youth, the commissioner shall, if  
3272 possible, select a home, agency, institution or person of like religious  
3273 faith to that of a parent of such child or youth, if such faith is known or

3274 may be ascertained by reasonable inquiry, provided such home  
3275 conforms to the standards of said commissioner and the commissioner  
3276 shall, when placing siblings, if possible, place such children together.  
3277 Upon the issuance of an order committing the child or youth to the  
3278 Commissioner of Children and Families, or not later than sixty days  
3279 after the issuance of such order, the court shall determine whether the  
3280 Department of Children and Families made reasonable efforts to keep  
3281 the child or youth with his or her parents or guardian prior to the  
3282 issuance of such order and, if such efforts were not made, whether  
3283 such reasonable efforts were not possible, taking into consideration the  
3284 child's or youth's best interests, including the child's or youth's health  
3285 and safety.

3286 Sec. 116. Section 48-9 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
3287 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2017*):

3288 Subject to the provisions of section 4b-23, the state may take land, or  
3289 any interest or estate therein, for the site, or for any addition to the site,  
3290 of any state institution or courthouse, or for any addition to the site of  
3291 any institution under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees of the  
3292 Connecticut State University System, [technical high school] Technical  
3293 Education and Career System or technical college or for the purposes  
3294 of subsection (e) of section 22a-133m, and also may take water from  
3295 any river, brook, spring or springs, pond or lake for the purpose of  
3296 providing such supply of water as the convenience and necessity of  
3297 such institution may require. The amount of damages for any such  
3298 taking shall be determined in the manner provided by section 48-10.

3299 Sec. 117. Subsection (a) of section 54-1k of the general statutes is  
3300 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*  
3301 *1, 2017*):

3302 (a) Upon the arrest of a person for a violation of subdivision (1) or  
3303 (2) of subsection (a) of section 53-21, section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70c,  
3304 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, or any attempt thereof, or section  
3305 53a-181c, 53a-181d or 53a-181e, the court may issue a protective order

3306 pursuant to this section. Upon the arrest of a person for a violation of  
3307 section 53a-182b or 53a-183, the court may issue a protective order  
3308 pursuant to this section if it finds that such violation caused the victim  
3309 to reasonably fear for his or her physical safety. Such order shall be an  
3310 order of the court, and the clerk of the court shall cause (1) a copy of  
3311 such order, or the information contained in such order, to be sent to  
3312 the victim, and (2) a copy of such order, or the information contained  
3313 in such order, to be sent by facsimile or other means not later than  
3314 forty-eight hours after its issuance to the law enforcement agency or  
3315 agencies for the town in which the victim resides, the town in which  
3316 the victim is employed and the town in which the defendant resides. If  
3317 the victim is enrolled in a public or private elementary or secondary  
3318 school, including a technical [high] education and career school, or an  
3319 institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-55, the clerk  
3320 of the court shall, upon the request of the victim, send, by facsimile or  
3321 other means, a copy of such order, or the information contained in  
3322 such order, to such school or institution of higher education, the  
3323 president of any institution of higher education at which the victim is  
3324 enrolled and the special police force established pursuant to section  
3325 10a-156b, if any, at the institution of higher education at which the  
3326 victim is enrolled.

3327 Sec. 118. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The State Board of Education,  
3328 upon receipt of a proper application, shall issue an initial educator  
3329 certificate, in accordance with the provisions of section 10-145b of the  
3330 general statutes, to any applicant in the certification endorsement area  
3331 of occupational subjects in vocational-technical schools who has  
3332 completed six years of work experience in the field for which the  
3333 certificate is to be endorsed, which may include apprenticeship  
3334 experience, provided such applicant otherwise meets the requirements  
3335 established in chapter 166 of the general statutes and any regulations  
3336 adopted by the State Board of Education pursuant to said chapter.

3337 Sec. 119. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2017*) The Department of Education  
3338 shall provide information and guidance to applicants for an initial  
3339 educator certificate in the certification endorsement area of

3340 occupational subjects in vocational-technical schools on how such  
 3341 applicant is to present evidence of meeting the requirements of section  
 3342 10-145b of the general statutes and section 10-145d-511 of the  
 3343 regulations of Connecticut state agencies when such applicant has  
 3344 completed an online program of study. The department shall make  
 3345 such information and guidance available on the department's Internet  
 3346 web site.

3347 Sec. 120. Section 10-95f of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective*  
 3348 *July 1, 2017*)"

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	10-95
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	10-95
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	New section
Sec. 5	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	New section
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	4-5
Sec. 7	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	4-38c
Sec. 8	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	10-99f
Sec. 9	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	10-99f
Sec. 10	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	10-99g
Sec. 11	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	10-95h(b)(2)
Sec. 12	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 14	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 15	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 16	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 17	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 18	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 19	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	10-4(a)
Sec. 20	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	New section
Sec. 21	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	1-79(20)
Sec. 22	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	1-84(i)
Sec. 23	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	1-84d
Sec. 24	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	1-91(23)
Sec. 25	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	3-20f(b)

Sec. 26	July 1, 2017	4-29
Sec. 27	July 1, 2017	4-67g(f) and (g)
Sec. 28	July 1, 2017	4-67n(a)(3)
Sec. 29	July 1, 2017	4-124z
Sec. 30	July 1, 2017	4-124ff(a)
Sec. 31	July 1, 2017	4-124gg
Sec. 32	July 1, 2017	4-124hh(a)
Sec. 33	July 1, 2017	4a-11a(b)
Sec. 34	July 1, 2017	4d-83
Sec. 35	July 1, 2017	5-275(b)
Sec. 36	July 1, 2017	8-265pp
Sec. 37	July 1, 2017	10-1
Sec. 38	July 1, 2017	10-4h(a)
Sec. 39	July 1, 2017	10-4r
Sec. 40	July 1, 2017	10-9(b)
Sec. 41	July 1, 2017	10-13
Sec. 42	July 1, 2017	10-15d
Sec. 43	July 1, 2017	10-19d
Sec. 44	July 1, 2017	10-19e
Sec. 45	July 1, 2017	10-20a(a)
Sec. 46	July 1, 2017	10-21g
Sec. 47	July 1, 2017	10-21j(a)
Sec. 48	July 1, 2017	10-55
Sec. 49	July 1, 2017	10-64(d)
Sec. 50	July 1, 2017	10-66p
Sec. 51	July 1, 2017	10-67(4)
Sec. 52	July 1, 2017	10-69(c)(2)
Sec. 53	July 1, 2017	10-74d(c)
Sec. 54	July 1, 2017	10-76q
Sec. 55	July 1, 2017	10-76oo(a) to (d)
Sec. 56	July 1, 2017	10-76pp
Sec. 57	July 1, 2017	10-95a
Sec. 58	July 1, 2017	10-95e(a)
Sec. 59	July 1, 2017	10-95h
Sec. 60	July 1, 2017	10-95i
Sec. 61	July 1, 2017	10-95j
Sec. 62	July 1, 2017	10-95k
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Sec. 71	July 1, 2017	10-186(a)
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Sec. 73	July 1, 2017	10-215f
Sec. 74	July 1, 2017	10-220d
Sec. 75	July 1, 2017	10-233d(e)
Sec. 76	August 15, 2017	10-233d
Sec. 77	July 1, 2017	10-235(a)
Sec. 78	July 1, 2017	10-262n(d)
Sec. 79	July 1, 2017	10-262s
Sec. 80	July 1, 2017	10-264l(a)
Sec. 81	July 1, 2017	10-266m(a)(5)
Sec. 82	July 1, 2017	10-283(a)(2)
Sec. 83	July 1, 2017	10-283b(a)
Sec. 84	July 1, 2017	10-284(a)
Sec. 85	July 1, 2017	10-287d
Sec. 86	July 1, 2017	10-357e
Sec. 87	July 1, 2017	10a-25b(b)
Sec. 88	July 1, 2017	10a-55e
Sec. 89	July 1, 2017	10a-55g
Sec. 90	July 1, 2017	10a-72d
Sec. 91	July 1, 2017	10a-123(b)
Sec. 92	July 1, 2017	10a-166(a)
Sec. 93	July 1, 2017	14-36(d)
Sec. 94	July 1, 2017	14-37a(a)
Sec. 95	July 1, 2017	17a-101a(a)(1)
Sec. 96	July 1, 2017	17a-101a(b)(2)
Sec. 97	July 1, 2017	17a-101i(a)
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Sec. 99	July 1, 2017	17b-688i(b)
Sec. 100	July 1, 2017	20-90(a)
Sec. 101	July 1, 2017	31-3c
Sec. 102	July 1, 2017	31-3h(b)(8)
Sec. 103	July 1, 2017	31-3k(b)(5)
Sec. 104	July 1, 2017	31-11p(b)(12)
Sec. 105	July 1, 2017	31-23(c)

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Sec. 107	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	31-51ww(8)
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Sec. 110	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	32-475(12)
Sec. 111	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	38a-682
Sec. 112	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	46b-15(h)(3)
Sec. 113	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	46b-16a(d)
Sec. 114	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	46b-38c(d)
Sec. 115	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	46b-129(j)(4)
Sec. 116	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	48-9
Sec. 117	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	54-1k(a)
Sec. 118	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
Sec. 119	<i>July 1, 2017</i>	New section
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